

# In the Stacks

May 2019



## Fabulous Fridays

### In Harmony...

#### *The Deltones*

Enjoy an evening of vocal music with the Deltones, a co-ed a cappella group from the University of Delaware. They recently just celebrated their 28th anniversary as a group, making them one of Delaware's oldest groups on campus! The Deltone's motto is "friends first, singers second." They value having a shared passion of music, but are truly best friends before anything else. They are excited to not only perform but also teach what it is like to be in an a cappella group!

**Friday, May 3, 6:30 PM**

### Family Fun: *The Pretty Crazies*

Sing and dance with The Pretty Crazies at the place that inspired "Goin' to The Library" - our very own Dover Public Library!!! **Friday, May 10, 6:30 PM**

### Celebrate the Arts

#### *The Art and History of the Pysanky (Ukrainian Easter Eggs) Past & Present*

Please join Carol Purse as she shares the history behind the making of pysanky (Ukrainian Easter Eggs); how dyes were created from natural items as opposed to the dyes of today; the meaning of pagan and Christian symbols that appear on the eggs; and some of the superstitions and legends surrounding pysanky. Attendees will be able to write a few lines on raw eggs to get a feel for how wax is applied in the creation of these eggs. Registration is required as space is limited. This program is for adults & children ages 8 and up. All children must be accompanied by an adult. **Friday, May 17, 6:30 PM**



### More Family Fun:

### *The Lego Movie 2 Pajama Party*

The citizens of Bricksburg face a dangerous new threat when Lego Duplo invaders from outer space start to wreck everything in their path. The battle to defeat the enemy and restore harmony to the Lego universe takes Emmet, Lucy, Batman and

the rest of their friends to faraway, unexplored worlds that test their courage and creativity. 1:47. Rated PG.

**Friday, May 24, 6:30 PM**

### Last Friday: *On the Basis of Sex*

#### *On the Basis of Sex*

We know her as a revered Supreme Court justice (and action figure), but how did Ruth Bader Ginsburg start to get where she is today? Long before her 25 years on the Supreme Court, women were just starting to earn law degrees. And, law firms weren't hiring women. *On the Basis of Sex* shows how Ruth Bader Ginsburg overcame these obstacles and many others on her long road towards a groundbreaking legal victory that overturned 100 years of discrimination and paved the way for more anti-discrimination laws as well as her own career. You will get to know Ginsburg as a relentlessly intelligent law student and an ambitious young mother. *On the Basis of Sex* is a portrait of a marriage and an era. Just as Felicity Jones and Armie Hammer show us Ruth and Marty Ginsburg, the film recreates not only the look of urban America from the mid-fifties through mid-seventies, but how it felt to live through them. The strong supporting cast includes Sam Waterston (unlikeable), Kathy Bates (uncooperative) and Justin Theroux (unrecognizable). There is both scene chewing and subtlety from the film's actors, and hard work and luck on the part of the real people they portray. Critic A. O. Scott of the *New York Times* says *On the Basis of Sex* is "literally the story of how Ginsburg found her voice... and it dramatizes her personal stake in feminist legal activism and the intellectual discipline with which she approached it." If you're a fan of RBG, you'll be a fan of this movie. 2:00. Rated PG-13 for language and suggestive material. **Friday, May 31, 6:30 PM**

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## These Five Books Just Won Pulitzer Prizes

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From the Columbia School of Journalism in NYC, the 103rd annual Pulitzer Prizes were announced. In the Arts and Letters categories, the below five titles received the prestigious honor for 2019.

### Fiction

*The Overstory* by Richard Powers

"...this monumental novel accomplishes what few living writers from either camp, art or science, could attempt. Using the tools of story, he pulls readers heart-first into a perspective so much longer-lived and more subtly developed than the human purview, that we gain glimpses of a vast, primordial sensibility, while watching our own kind get whittled down to size.... The descriptions of this deeply animate place stand with any prose I've ever read. I hesitate to tell more, and spoil the immense effort Powers invests in getting us into that primal forest to bear witness ... The science in this novel ranges from fun fact to mind-blowing, brought to us by characters who are sweet or funny or maddening in all the relatable ways."

### General Nonfiction

*Amity and Prosperity: One Family and the Fracturing of America* by Eliza Griswold

"...tells with vivid detail the contours of daily life in Washington and Greene counties. The book's subtitle is a significant play on words as well as this riveting book is very much about the contested practice of industrial fracking. Although the story is a page-turner exposing corporate injustices, dishonesty and public malfeasance, it is still appealing to read about places one knows. Ms. Griswold is an energetic writer, and the characters she writes about are colorful, raw and dogged. It is not only a glimpse into post-industrial small towns and the environmental consequences of fracking but a legal thriller worthy of any novel by John Grisham."

### History

*Frederick Douglass: Prophet of Freedom* by David W. Blight

"...the definitive biography of Frederick Douglass. With extraordinary detail he illuminates the complexities of Douglass' life and career and paints a powerful portrait of one of the most important American voices of the 19th century. Blight is masterful in handling this material. In these moments, the pace of this big book picks up; the details pull you in; and if only just for a moment, the larger-than-life image dips and we see the man."

### Biography

*The New Negro: The Life of Alain Locke* by Jeffery C. Stewart

"...a vitally important, astonishingly well researched, exhaustive biography of the brilliant, complex, flawed, utterly

fascinating man who, if he did not start the movement, served as its curator, intellectual champion, and guiding spirit. His account of Locke's life is detailed; but never descends into tedium. He displays a thorough grasp of the intellectual challenges Locke took on. On his death, in 1954, Locke left behind achievements that deserve to be more widely celebrated, and this biography represents a serious, worthy attempt to get the party started."

### Poetry

*Be With* by Forrest Gander

"Poetry often creates a supernatural-seeming rapport with the dead, but rarely has the communication between worlds felt so eerily reciprocal. In *Be With*, he is at once adamant about the ineffability of grief and committed to getting his inchoate 'grief-sounds' somehow into words. The book's sputtering, flinching style, with its syntactical dead ends and missed connections, feels like both an accommodation to the necessity of language and proof of its inadequacy. Gander's poems call to mind those Thomas Hardy wrote after the sudden death of his wife, Emma. Hardy's verse skips over his immediate, painful past to a moment 'when our day was fair,' dwelling on the uncanny traces his wife left behind in 'a room on returning thence.' Gander shares the intensity of Hardy's grief, his morose fixation on moments squandered. The book as a whole is a self-suturing wound, equal parts bridge and void."

## Life-Wide Learning

### Purl-Fectly Knit Club

Share your love of needlework with others! Bring in your knitting, crochet, or other needle project; get help with questions; exchange patterns & tips; or just come to craft. All skill levels are welcome. Beginners will get help with their projects from more experienced members.

**Mondays, May 6, 13, 20, 6:00 PM**

### Poet's Retreat

Calling all poets! Share your work, listen to others and discuss poetry of all kinds in an open & supportive environment, facilitated by Hannah, former member of Springfield Poets & Writers. This program is for those ages 18+. **Tuesday, May 7, 21, 5:30 PM**

### Documentary Photography & Japanese American Internment

This presentation will question whether War Relocation Authority (WRA) photographs of the evacuation and internment of 120,000 Japanese Americans during World War II were valuable free documents or instruments of propaganda reflecting the political & racial

views of both photographers and their government sponsors. Prominent among the photographers discussed are Ansel Adams, Hikaru Iwasaki & Dorothea Lange. This program is made possible by a grant from the DE Humanities, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. For more information please call 736-7030.

**Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 PM**

#### **Vision Your True Purpose**

What is the 5-point test for determining whether your dream is right for you? Find out what is the ONE critical thing you must give up in order to reach your dream. How can you move toward your goals with more confidence and with a plan?

**Thursday, May 16, 10:30 AM**

#### **Chronic Disease Self-Management Program**

For those who suffer from chronic disease to learn the skills needed to manage the day-to-day treatment of their conditions, including diet & exercise. Common chronic diseases that affect many Americans include arthritis, asthma, diabetes, lung or heart disease and osteoporosis. Join others in this interactive workshop and take control today! Registration is required due to limited space. Please call 736-7030 to register. **Tuesday, May 21, 28, 4:30 PM**

#### **DIY @ the Library: Bath Bombs**

This month we'll make bath bombs! To register, please call 736-7030. **Sunday, May 26, 2:00 PM**

#### **Tuesday Talks: "Voice of the Past: Stories from the Yorktown Campaign"**

Join Kim Burdick as she presents the interesting and informative "Voices of the Past: Stories from the Yorktown Campaign." The Yorktown campaign led to the surrender of British General Cornwallis and his troops, with the start of peace negotiations occurring soon after. Resident Manager of the historic Hale Byrnes House, Kim Burdick, is the founder of the American Revolution Round Table of Northern DE. She is a frequent contributor to *Journal of the American Revolution*. Her book, *Revolutionary Delaware* was awarded 1st place in the 2016 statewide writer's competition held annually by the DE Press Association. This program is sponsored by the Archaeological Society of DE.

**Tuesday, May 28, 6:00 PM**

#### **Creative Passions**

Relive and revive your creative side by working on writing, poetry & various arts among your peers and receiving creative feedback. The program is run by author & poet S. Raven Storm. For more information, call 736-7030 or email S. Raven Storm at [sravenstorm@gmail.com](mailto:sravenstorm@gmail.com).

**Wednesday, May 29, 6:00 PM**

## Readers' Corner

### **Other Worlds Book Group**

Join us each month at the Grey Fox Grille for a great book discussion, along with food & drink specials! This month we'll be reading *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead. For ages 18+. Copies of the book are available at the Library.

**Wednesday, May 15, 6:30 PM**

### **History Book Group**

Please join us for this month's discussion of The History Book Club: a look at the club's past and future. "50 years since the Tet Offensive" was the largest program we held at the Dover Library. "Who was the Nation's Best President, Lincoln or Washington" had the highest attendance of any program ever held at the Old State House. Let's reflect on our successes & discuss where it goes from here!

**Thursday, May 18, 4:00 PM**

### **Adult Book Group**

*Us Against You* by Fredrik Backman  
The citizens of Beartown are about to lose their beloved hockey team and their rivals couldn't be happier. The book has you wondering who is going to die and why events occur as they do. Pick up a copy at the Check-Out desk. **Sunday, May 20, 2:00 PM**

### **2sdays, 2:00 PM**

**May 7:** *Can You Ever Forgive Me?*

1:47. Rated R for extremely rude.

**May 14:** *Bohemian Rhapsody*. 2:14. Rated PG-13 for language, sex, drugs, rock 'n roll.

**May 21:** *Stan & Ollie*. 1:37. Rated PG.

**May 28:** *The Mule*. 1:54. Rated R for language & brief sexuality.

### **Fridays: 6:30 PM**

**May 24:** *Lego Movie 2*. 1:47. Rated PG.

**May 31:** *On the Basis of Sex*. 2:00. Rated PG-13 for language & suggestive material.

### **Saturday Matinee: 2:00 PM**

**May 4:** *Bohemian Rhapsody*. 2:14. Rated PG-13 for language, sex, drugs, rock 'n roll.

### **Scene It Sunday in the Teen Loft: 1:30 PM**

**May 5:** *Solo: A Star Wars Story*. 2:15. Rated PG-13.

**May 12:** *Juno*. 1:36. Rated PG-13.

**May 19:** *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse*. 1:56. Rated PG-13.

**May 26:** *Everything, Everything*. 1:36. Rated PG-13.

FilmFans

## Job Center Walk-in Hours

**Mondays 9:00 AM-1:00 PM**

**Wednesdays 12:00-7:00 PM**

**Saturdays 10:00 AM-1:00 PM**

Call 736-7030 for other services & information

## Computer Classes: 1:00 PM

5/7 Computer Basics

5/14 Keyboarding

5/21 Word Basics

5/28 Excel Basics

**Classes require registration. Call 736-7030**

**Military OneSource.** Military OneSource is a US Dept. of Defense program providing resources & support to active-duty, National Guard, Reserve service members & their families anywhere in the world. OneSource has one mission: to connect military personnel, spouses, family members & dependents to the best Military Life.

**Thursday, May 9, 10:30 AM**

**Kent County Inter-Agency Meet Up.** Networking for government agencies & non-profits that provide direct services to the members of our community. Share your mission, services provided, upcoming events, resources & problems that group will work on solving. **Thursday, May 9, 12:00-1:30 PM**

## APEX Pardons & Expungements.

Call for information, 736-7030. **Mondays, 9:15 -10:15 AM**

## The New "Gig" Economy: Working as an Independent Contractor.

In the new "gig" economy, jobs are replaced with temporary positions filled by independent contractors. Intuit predicts that by 2020, 40% of American workers will be independent contractors. Are you ready to work a "gig"? This highlights the differences between being an employee & an independent contractor including compensation, benefits, expenses & finding customers. **Wednesday, May 1, 12:00 PM**

## Coverage2Care: What Are the Continuing Costs of Health Care?

Learn about the continuing cost of health coverage. Join us in the Lobby for information & resources.

**Wednesday, May 1, 4:00-5:00 PM**

## Tax Payer Advocate Service: Advice, Strategy, Q&A

There have been significant changes to the U.S. tax code. With these changes, taxpayers need to know the key differences in tax law. The Taxpayer Advocate Service ensures that all taxpayers are treated fairly & know & understand their rights as taxpayers. They offer free help to guide taxpayers through the often confusing process of resolving tax problems that they haven't been able to solve on their own. **Thursday, May 2, 10:30 AM**

**Tools for Debt Relief.** Learn the basics of financial management: proper questions to ask before going into debt; debt relief programs; credit review; budgeting & investing for a financially independent future. This program is sponsored by the Money School. **Monday, May 6, 5:30 PM**

**Preventing Cybersecurity Threats to Your Business.** Most business needs an online presence to connect with customers. Are you protecting your business & your customers by using the latest cybersecurity tools & best practices? Learn about the top scams & schemes & how to stay ahead of the threats that could impact your business.

**Wednesday, May 8, 12:00 PM**

## Becoming a Social Media Influencer.

'Social Media Influencer' is a new role in the marketing. Influencers have credibility within a product category that allows them to persuade a large audience of social media followers to prefer a certain brand. Learn how to break into the latest form of marketing; find out what brands to look for & expect from an influencer & gain insights on the direction social media is heading.

**Wednesday, May 15, 12:00 PM**

**'Stand by Me' Financial Coaching.** A financial coach will assist w/ budget preparation & management; provide free credit report info. & reviews; provide free tax preparation; provide college bound services & more.

**Thursday, May 16, 9:15 AM**

## Money Management 101: Debt Reduction & Asset Accumulation.

This is a series of workshops to help you take charge of your financial future & learn the basics of money management. Participants will understand that they are their biggest investment! Daily financial decisions determine financial future. Wealth accumulation is a plan, not an accident. **Thursday, May 16, 6:00 PM**

**The Importance of Brand Consistency.** Brand consistency is the pattern of expression that affects what people think about your company. Learn how your marketing efforts on social media, through your website & in your local community align to create an effective business identity that generates trust & retains customers.

**Wednesday, May 22, 12:00 PM**

**Veterans Multi-Service Center.** Veterans Multi-Service Center (VMC) exists to "serve those who served." It provides services, programs, opportunity & advancement to Veterans of our Armed Forces & their families. Our presenter will discuss services & programs available through VMC. **Thursday, May 23, 10:30 AM**