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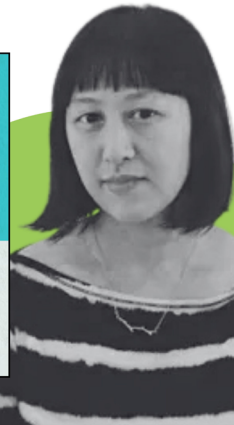
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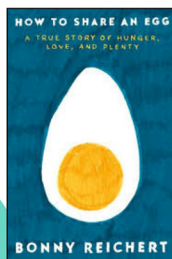


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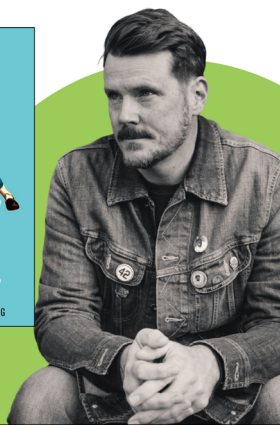
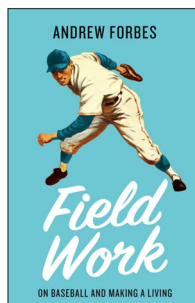
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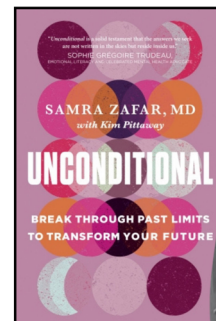
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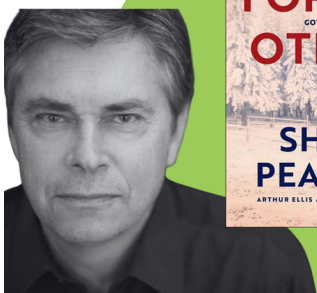
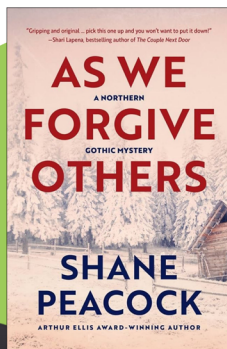
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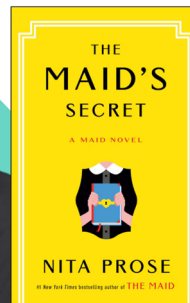
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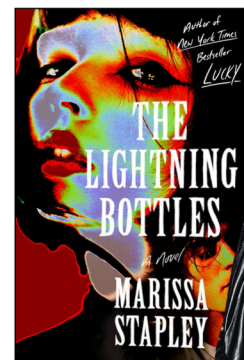
Dr. Samra Zafar



Shane Peacock



Nita Prose



Marissa Stapley



JOIN US FOR THE 2025 COUNTY LIBRARY AUTHORS FESTIVAL!

- APR 24** 7pm **County Reads**—the Great Debate. Five brave local citizens defend their chosen books. Moderated by Ken Murray. Presented live at St. Mary Magdalene Church, 335 Main St., Picton, tickets \$10 at the door, or at any library branch
THURSDAY
- APR 25** 10am **Peggy Collins**—story time in Wellington with the author and illustrator of *Harley the Hero* for classes of school children, grades 1-3. Peggy will also conduct an interactive art class. Classes must pre-register with the library. Admission free
FRIDAY
- 1pm **Samra Zafar**—readings and discussion of her book, *Unconditional*. Tickets \$15
- 2pm **Phoebe Wang**—readings and discussion of her book, *Relative to Wind*. Moderated by Leigh Nash. Tickets \$15
- 3pm **Andrew Forbes**—readings and discussion of his book, *Field Work: On Baseball and Making a Living*. Moderated by Andrew Falconer. Tickets \$15
- 4pm **Shane Peacock**—readings and discussion of his book, *As We Forgive Others*. Tickets \$15
- APR 26** 1pm **Bonny Reichert**—readings and discussion of her book, *How to Share an Egg*. Tickets \$15
SATURDAY
- 2pm **Marissa Stapley**—readings and discussion of her book, *The Lightning Bottles*. Moderated by Shelagh Mathers. Tickets \$15
- 3pm **Nita Prose**—readings and discussion of her book, *The Maid's Secret*. Tickets \$15

Except for Peggy Collins, all author events will be held at the Picton library. Tickets for individual author events are \$15 or a pass for all 7 events may be purchased for \$40 at any library branch. For information visit any branch of the library or go to peclibrary.org/festival (613)476-5962

Author Events

HOW TO GET YOUR SH*T TOGETHER

(So Your Loved Ones Don't Have To Do It For You)



A talk led by author
Michelle Unsworth-Foote

In recognition of Advanced Care Planning Day

Thursday

April 10th

7pm to 8:30pm

Picton Library
208 Main Street



Want to grab a copy before the event?
Pick one up at Books & Company (289 Picton Main St)

Presented in collaboration with:



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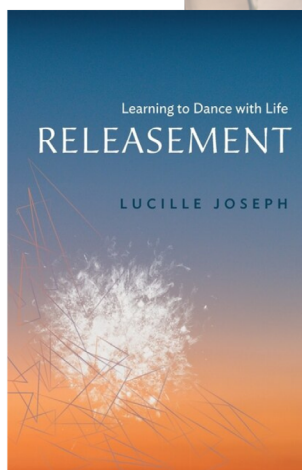
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Author Talk

Lucille Joseph

Lucille Joseph shares stories from a lifetime of inner enquiry and dedication to wisdom teachings. She pursued the spiritual quest simultaneously with an intense business career at a time when that was considered a very odd combination. Today, a revolution in the search for meaning has opened up access to timeless ideas and practices, sparking new interest and greater integration.

Thursday, May 8 at 7 p.m.
Picton Branch Library



After graduating with an MBA, Lucille Joseph was with the Boston Consulting Group for over a decade, an executive with BMO (Bank of Montreal), and CEO of Career Edge Organization. She is one of the founders of the Luminato Festival Toronto, and a former chair of the board of the National Ballet of Canada. Lucille studied with philosopher Kenneth G. Mills and today hosts a series of forums sharing the joy and practicality of philosophical attainment.

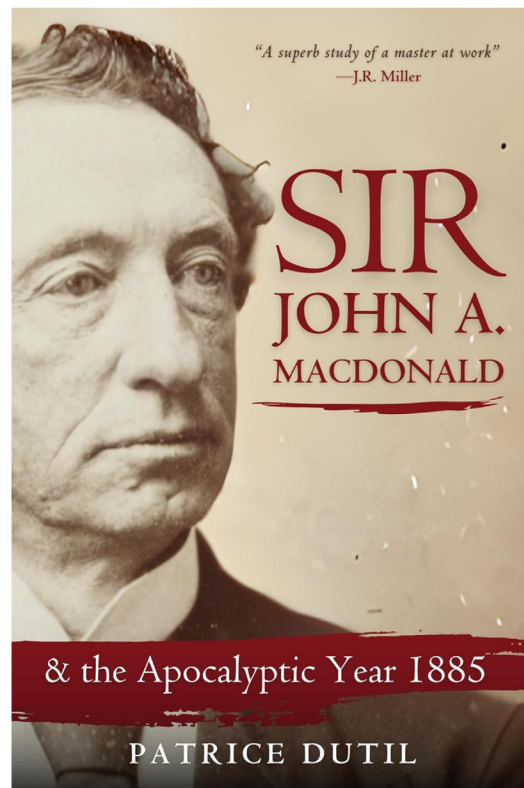
Author Talk

Reconciling with Sir John A. Macdonald

Patrice Dutil

"Reconciling with Sir John A. Macdonald" will reexamine the accomplishments of Canada's first prime minister. The presentation will focus on the most important challenges he faced and discuss how he managed them. Presented by Patrice Dutil, author of "Sir John A. Macdonald: & The Apocalyptic Year 1885"

Thursday, May 22 at 7 p.m.
Picton Branch Library
Tickets \$15 at peclibrary.org



Archives

If you are interested in researching the history of Prince Edward County, the Archives can help. Service is available by appointment only. Call (613) 399-2023 for your appointment.



DiscARTed

Tuesday, April 22 at 2 p.m.
Wellington Branch Library
Create Book Feathers

Chess

Drop in to the Picton Branch Library on Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. for a friendly game of chess. All welcome.

**Saturday
April 12
10-5**

ELBOWS UP

FOR
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Get your elbows up and celebrate our main street and its merchants for a day filled with sidewalk sales, in-store specials, dining local & events!

PICTON
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Book Sale

Picton Branch Library
Saturday, April 12
10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.



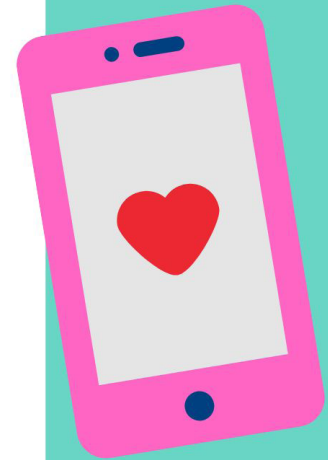
Did you know you can borrow the Internet and devices from your library? Ask us!

Tech Help at the Library

Have a question about your phone, tablet, or laptop? Ask us!

Book an appointment at a time that is convenient for you.

Call (613) 476-5962 or email techhelp@peclibrary.org.



flexible
friendly
free

A background image of numerous Mah Jongg tiles scattered across the page. The tiles are white with various symbols, including numbers, flowers, and Chinese characters, in black, red, green, and blue.

The Friends of the Ameliasburgh and Consecun Branches present

Learn to Play Mah Jongg

Two part series -
Tuesday, April 15
and
Thursday, April 17
at 2 p.m.

Ameliasburgh Branch Library
Space is limited - register by
calling (613)968-9327

Children's Programs

Weekly Storytime Schedule

Picton Branch Library

all welcome!

Thursday
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Baby Time

Friday
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Toddler Time

Saturday
10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

**Storytime
and Singalong**



Coming Soon!

Thanks to the Vital Impact Fund through the County Foundation, we're pleased to share that we will soon have a collection of multilanguage children's books.

When possible we have sought books in two languages.

Based on community research, we're starting with the following languages.

- Spanish
- Russian
- Anishinaabemowin
- Cantonese
- Syrian Arabic

If you have any requests for children's books - additional languages for this project or just other general requests for purchase - please email liz@peclibrary.org or ask at your local branch.

Decorate Your Easter Bonnet

Bring your own hat and we'll
help you decorate it for the
Easter Egg Hunt at the
Milford Fair Grounds

Saturday, April 19 at 10:00 a.m.

**Milford Branch Library
3053 County Road 10**



RECREATION COMMITTEE

We need you!

Seeking Volunteers for 2025:

January 24 -- Games Night

February 21-- Euchre Night

June 7 -- Picnic in the Park

July 12 -- Soapbox Derby

October 26 -- Halloween Party

November 28 -- Night Time Santa Parade

Contact: ward2rec@gmail.com

or text/leave message 613-243-6112

**Find us at the
Bloomfield
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Recreation
Picnic in
the Park
on June 7th.**

Community Events

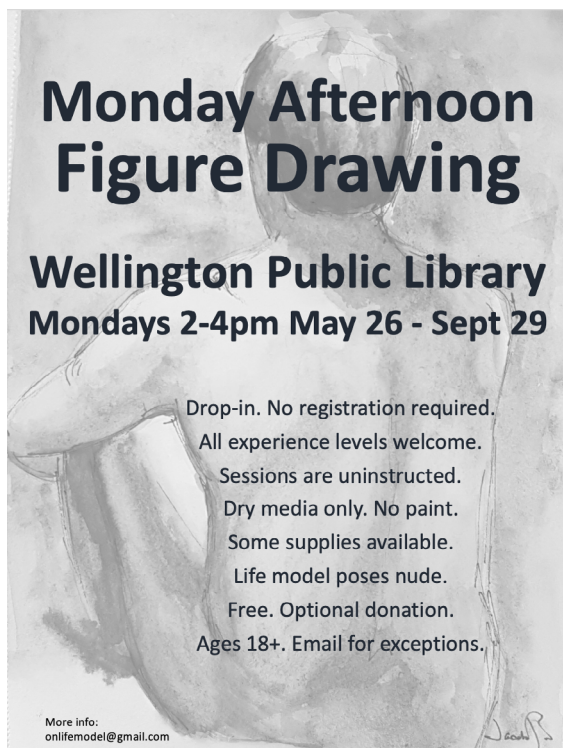
Did you know that the Picton and Wellington Branches of the Library have meeting rooms you can reserve? No charge for nonprofits. Drop by or visit peclibrary.org for information.



One of several meeting rooms at the Picton Branch. Call Ella for information or to reserve. (613) 476-5962.



The Dianne Cranshaw meeting room at the Wellington Branch Library. Call (613) 399-2023 for information.



Monday Afternoon Figure Drawing

Wellington Public Library
Mondays 2-4pm May 26 - Sept 29

Drop-in. No registration required.
All experience levels welcome.
Sessions are unstructured.
Dry media only. No paint.
Some supplies available.
Life model poses nude.
Free. Optional donation.
Ages 18+. Email for exceptions.

More info:
onlifemodel@gmail.com

Save the Date!

Family Information Event



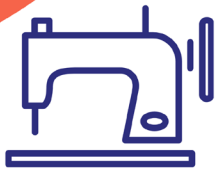
And more to confirm..

Join us Saturday, May 3rd- 10am-3pm
at Prince Edward Community Centre

"It truly "takes a village" to raise a child. This event will have all local agencies that would have an impact on our youth in Prince Edward County and surrounding areas.



REPAIR CAFÉ



Picton Public Library
Saturday April 26th
11am - 3pm



Drop-in during open hours with up to five of these items for repair by volunteers:

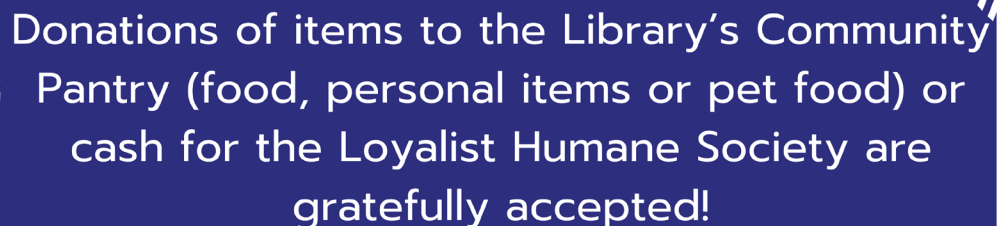
- 
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- Electronics
 - Fabrics / Clothing
 - Household Items
 - Small appliances
 - Small furniture
 - Bicycles



FREE



Coffee & Snacks



Donations of items to the Library's Community Pantry (food, personal items or pet food) or cash for the Loyalist Humane Society are gratefully accepted!

More information available online at [@feralfolc](https://twitter.com/feralfolc)
feralfolc@gmail.com



Discover More

There are many more library programs and services available to you! A few other ways you can keep up-to-date with what's happening at the Library:

- Check out the calendar of events at peclibrary.org
- Register to receive the weekly New Books & Events email
- Find us on social media - Instagram @peclibrary or Facebook County of Prince Edward Public Library & Archives
- Tune in to our biweekly radio program on 99.3 County FM as part of the Grapevine after the news at noon
- Read our column at CountyLive.ca, in the County Weekly, and in the Wellington Times
- Ask at any branch of the Library

Youth Programs

Discover YOUth

meets weekly on Friday afternoons at the Picton Branch Library. Youth friends and allies welcome. Visit peclibrary.org/lgbtq for the latest details.

Check out their piece, right, in the Home and Belonging exhibit.



SASS, the Secondary After School Social Club, meets Tuesdays at 3 p.m. at the Picton Branch. All are welcome for a variety of projects including art, filmmaking, STEAM projects and more.

Ages 13+