



English Language Tutoring Gets Boost from MSCF

Thanks to a generous grant of \$15,000 from **Middlesex Savings Charitable Foundation (MSCF)**, we'll be able to meet our goal of becoming a welcoming library for all in Natick! Our English Language Learning (ELL) program provides English Language classes, conversation groups, and tutoring. This grant will help us continue this great work, as well as provide funding to add international language books and ELL training materials to our collection. We are also excited to provide additional signage and materials to make the library easier to use for the ELL community.

The Morse Institute Library is one of the few places in the area for English language classes and tutoring for adults. As Natick has become more diverse, we've seen our ELL services grow and we're so excited that Middlesex Savings Charitable Foundation is joining us in supporting ELL material and services at the Morse Institute!

On Your Mark, Get Set ... Feed!

Save money and help those in need! Our annual **Food for Fines** program gives library users an easy way to support the Vi Tutuny Food Pantry at the Natick Service Council. During the month of August, bring in new, non-perishable food or personal care items to pay your library overdue fines. Sadly, we can't accept food for lost or damaged books.

During the summer, families in need still count on help from the food pantry. Unfortunately this is also a time when donations go down as groups that donate through the year are on break. As a result, August is a great month for a boost in donations. The Morse Institute library is proud to support the Natick Service Council with our annual Food for Fines Drive. Last year, we donated 2,918 pounds of food and personal care items to the food pantry. Let's see if we can top 3,000 this year!

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Minecraft at the Library

Teen Librarian Robin Fosdick is the first to admit it: she's completely obsessed with **Minecraft**. Like many kids, teens, and adults, Robin loves the creating, problem-solving, and building in the online game. Robin's current build is a medieval steampunk village with castle ruins. "Minecraft is super popular," Robin says. It made perfect sense to her to add Minecraft programs for teens to play together in a safe environment—the library's own Minecraft server. Minecraft is happening in the library for younger kids too. Starting in August Minecraft will also be opening for kids in grades 4-6 as part of our Creatology series of programs.

Parents and caregivers who might have questions about how Minecraft works, online safety when playing the game, or any other question have a great resource in our Teen Librarian. Robin says, "We've bought a lot of books on Minecraft building and strategy. Parents can call me anytime if they have any Minecraft questions."


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Programs and Events

Summer Hours
 Monday–Thursday 10am-9pm
 Friday 10am-5pm
 Saturday 10am-2pm
 Closed Sunday

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 LIBRARY CLOSED	1 3pm* Teens: Swords Through the Ages 5-8:15pm Neighborhood Bookmobile Stops (MacArthur Rd, Euclid Cir, Westlake Rd, Fiske St)	2 10:30am Storytime for Preschool Listeners	3 2-7pm Kids Crafting Wednesday 2:30pm* Teens: Animanga Club 5:30-8pm Games Night	4 3pm* Teens: Minecraft 6pm Family Picnic Supper Theater 6:30pm English Conversation Class	5 10:30am* Sing Me a Song with Fran Friedman 10:30am English Conversation Class 2pm* Teen 3D Printing	6 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Class
7 LIBRARY CLOSED	8 10:30am Preschool Film Fest 5-8:15pm Neighborhood Bookmobile Stops (Ridge Ave, Natick Village, Kendall Crossing)	9 10:30am Storytime for Preschool Listeners 4pm Library Board of Trustees	10 10:30am* Little Listeners 2-7pm Kids Crafting Wednesday 5:30-8pm Games Night	11 10am-1:30pm* SCORE Help for Small Businesses 2pm* Teens: Electronic Bucket Drumming 6pm Family Picnic Supper Theater 6:30pm English Conversation Class 7pm Graphic Novel Book Group	12 10:30am English Conversation Class 2pm On Your Mark for Magic! with magician Steve Rudolph	13 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Class
14 LIBRARY CLOSED	15 10am* Teens: Girls' Coding Workshop 5-8:15pm Neighborhood Bookmobile Stops (MacArthur Rd, Euclid Cir, Westlake Rd, Fiske St)	16 10am* Teens: Girls' Coding Workshop 2-7pm Red Cross Blood Drive	17 10am* Teens: Social Media Site Design Workshop 3:30* Creatology: Minecraft 5:30-8pm Games Night	18 10:30am* Baby Play 6pm Family Picnic Supper Theater 6:30pm English Conversation Class	19 10:30am English Conversation Class	20 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Class
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28 LIBRARY CLOSED	29 5-8:15pm Neighborhood Bookmobile Stops (MacArthur Rd, Euclid Cir, Westlake Rd, Fiske St)	30	31 5:30-8pm Games Night 7pm Evening Book Group	<p>All Age Events Adult Events Teen Events Children's Events Learn English Bookmobile</p> <p>* Event requires sign up. Call 508-647-6520 to register</p> <p> facebook.com/morseinstitute  @morseinstitute</p>		