



Ed Jolley, president of the Natick Veterans Council (since deceased); Gerald Halterman, Pearl Harbor survivor; Paul Carew, Natick Veterans Services officer.

Sharing Local Stories and Making New Ideas

Libraries have long been community resources for stories. Coming to the library to find a great book, movie, or audiobook is one of reasons that people visit us each day. At the Morse Institute we're working to take this further—serving as a place for our community to tell their own stories and create new ideas. Here are two ways we're making this happen in Natick:

Telling the Stories of Area Veterans

Under the leadership of Natick resident Maureen Sullivan, the **Natick Veterans Oral History Project** has been interviewing local veterans since 1998. Maureen works with veterans to help them share their real stories of service: some funny, some poignant, and all important. Via the

Launch into Educational Technology

Providing children with access to appropriate technology can be confusing: which apps are really educational? What do you need to know about online safety and security when using apps? The library's new collection of **Launchpads**, pre-loaded tablets with high-quality, ad-free learning apps, is a great way to explore technology with children. With titles like *Little Picasso* and *Let's go Underwater*, Launchpads offer age-appropriate content for kids to explore in a safe environment. We're excited to offer this great new product for kids thanks to two generous grants from MutualOne Bank.

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project's website, www.natickvets.org, researchers and the curious from around the world can view and hear local residents tell the stories of their service in the armed forces. The project has recorded almost 300 interviews and continues to grow. Starting April 22 we will be partnering with the Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital (also known as the Bedford VA Medical Center) to interview veterans at that facility and share their stories with our community and the world. If you would like to contribute to the project email veterans@morseinstitute.org.

Create Your Own 3D Designs

Our new partnership with **MassBay Community College** has brought a new intern into the library. Corinne Kennedy, a student in the TRANSFORM program for Advanced Manufacturing at MassBay, is here to assist with designing and creating your own projects using computer aided design tools and produce these designs on our 3D printer. "Advanced manufacturing aligns with the library's goals to offer Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) tools for our community," said User Experience Librarian Dave Bartos. "By facilitating hands-on learning with patrons of all ages, Corinne will expand learning opportunities, allowing all of Natick to make something new." Drop in to the Innovation Studio **Thursdays from 6-8pm** and **Saturdays from 11am-1pm** to learn about 3D printing and see what you can make!

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Programs and Events

Library Hours
 Mon–Thu 10am–9pm
 Fri & Sat 10am–5pm
 Sunday 2pm–5pm

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 6:30pm Silver Apple Bedtime Storyhour	3 7pm* Teen MakerLAB: Sweet Potato Derby	4 10:30am* Storytime for Preschool Listeners 3pm Creative Connections: Lucky Irish Lad	5 6-8pm Open Lab: 3D Design 6:30pm English Conversation Classes	6 10:30am* Sing Me a Song with Fran Friedman 10:30am English Conversation Classes	7 11am MIL Stitchers 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Classes
8	9 10:30am Preschool Film Fest	10 10:30am* Little Listeners 7pm Teens: Secrets of College Admissions	11 10:30am* Storytime for Preschool Listeners 6:30pm* Career Workshop: Interview Skills	12 10:30am* Baby Play 3pm* Teen Minecraft 6-8pm Open Lab: 3D Design 6:30pm English Conversation Classes 7pm Graphic Novel Book Group	13 10:30am English Conversation Classes	14 9:30am-4:30pm Friends of the Library Book and Bake Sale 10am-12pm Drop-in Craft Time 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Classes
15 12-3pm Friends of the Library Book and Bake Sale	16	17 7pm* Teen MakerLAB: Sweet Potato Derby	18 10:30am* Storytime for Preschool Listeners 11am Morning Book Group	19 10:30am* Toddler Time 3pm* Teen Minecraft 6-8pm Open Lab: 3D Design 6:30pm English Conversation Classes	20 10:30am English Conversation Classes	21 11am-1pm Open Lab: 3D Design 11:30am English Conversation Classes
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