



TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW

Town Manager's Report

June 26, 2018

Good evening -

The departments involved in the 4th of July festivities had their final meeting this morning and we are ready for the celebration to begin!

Detective Joseph Barone is retiring July 6 after 34 years of dedicated service in the Town's Police Department. We all wish him a long and healthy retirement.

Summer is definitely here, just ask the Recreation Department. The pool and day camp have begun with 81 participants to day camp this first week. It was a much smoother transition from spring to summer programs this year thanks to our new Director Donna Prather and her staff.

As a part of the Town's goal to implement cost savings of purchased goods and services, the Director of Finance is encouraging all departments to use COMMBUYS, the State's procurement site for purchasing at negotiated discounts. Departments have been quite surprised at the savings they are finding on not all but many of their everyday purchases. To follow are excerpts of information about COMMBUYS from their website:

"COMMBUYS offers free internet-based access to all public procurement information posted here in order to promote transparency, increase competition, and achieve best value for Massachusetts taxpayers. Each year, Massachusetts government purchasers buy a wide variety of goods and services, ranging from IT hardware and tires to janitorial and lawn services."

Layla Johnston reported that close to 500 children and adults attended the library's summer reading program kickoff, by far the largest turnout they have had for the event. I have attached a list of the summer programs.

ELCAT is looking at ways of updating the Cable Access Bulletin Board. Please share any ideas you may have with Don Maki. See the attached front page of ELCAT's program guide for more information on this.

I have asked Town Clerk Tom Florence to look for seminar opportunities for staff, boards and commissions for State Ethics rules, Open Meeting Laws and Roberts Rules of Order as there are boards and committees that struggle to comply with these laws and guidelines. I expect that we will have training in early fall.

Since East Longmeadow's Ambulance Service begins operating on July 1, I have asked the Fire Chief to provide a brief update and answer any questions you might have regarding this great new service provided by our Fire Department.

SAVE THE DATES

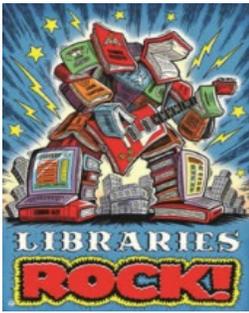
June 29-July 4	Annual carnival, parade & fireworks
August 7	5:30-8 pm National Night Out

Enjoy these beautiful summer days!

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Menard

2018 SUMMER READING PROGRAM LIBRARIES ROCK!



Libraries Rock! is the 2018 Summer Reading Program theme and our library will be rockin' with programs and contests for children, teens and adults! The program runs from **Monday, June 18** to **Saturday, August 4th**. Stop by the library to pick up an info packet for a schedule of program events and program guidelines.

SUMMER READING EVENTS

Events for Adults

- Tuesdays in July, 12:30-2PM – **Cafe Concerts** – Register [ONLINE](#)
- July 19, 6:30-8:30PM – **Open Mic Night*** (ages 13+) – Performers only register [ONLINE](#)
- July 23, 6PM – **Rock Painting*** – Register [ONLINE](#)
- July 26, 6PM – **Musical Duo, Lynn Simonds & Guy McGuinn** – Register [ONLINE](#)

Events for Teens

- July 9, 2:00PM – **Cactus Creations with Jenny Voight** – Register [ONLINE](#)
- July 12, 3PM – **Drum Circle with Cliff Madru** Register – [ONLINE](#)
- July 17, 6:30PM – **Free Yoga Class for Teens** – Register – [ONLINE](#)
- July 19, 6:30-8:30PM – **Open Mic Night*** (ages 13+) – Register [ONLINE](#) (performers only)
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*denotes these programs are open to adults & teens

Please register online or call the library at 413-525-5400, x1511.

Events for Children

- June 27, 10:30 AM – **The Apple Place Storytime (no registration)**
- June 27, 4-5PM – **Chess (no registration)**
- June 28, 11AM – **Music with Julie** – Register [ONLINE](#)
- June 30, 10:30AM – **Simply Stories (no registration)**
- July 2, 11:30AM – **Lunch and a Movie** – Register [ONLINE](#)
- July 6, 10AM-12PM – **Lego Madness (no registration)**

Please register online or call the Children's Room at 413-525-5400, x1506.