



County of Prince Edward
Public Library & Archives

Literally

May and June 2024



Meet a Modern Day Explorer

Adam Shoalts

Thursday, May 23 at 7 p.m.



Dr. Adam Shoalts will be talking about his most recent solo journey outlined in his new book "Where the Falcon Flies". Adam travelled by canoe and on foot through the southern Great Lakes, through Quebec and into Labrador following the migration route

of one of Canada's iconic raptors - the Peregrine Falcon.
Tickets \$15 at any branch of the Library.

6 Branches - One Library

Ameliasburgh Branch

(613) 968-9327

Tuesday 2 - 5 p.m.

Wednesday 10 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday 2 - 5 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bloomfield Branch

(613) 393-3400

Tuesday 2 - 5 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday 2 - 5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Consecon Branch

(613) 392-1106

Tuesday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday 2 - 5 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Friday 2 - 5 p.m.

Saturday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Milford Branch

(613) 476-4130

Tuesday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wednesday 2 - 5 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Picton Branch

(613) 476-5962

Tuesday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wellington Branch & Archives

(613) 399-2023

Tuesday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

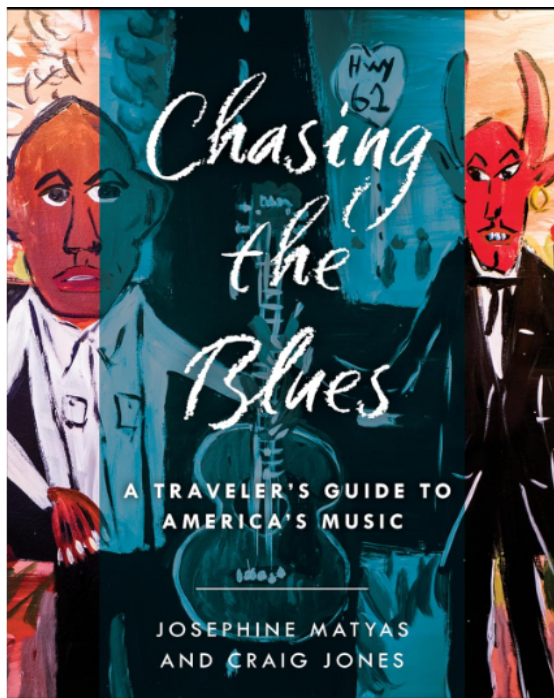
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Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Chasing the Blues

explores the roots of the blues—the music birthed in the Mississippi Delta by African Americans who fashioned a new form of musical expression grounded in their shared experience of brutal oppression. They used the power of music to survive that oppression, creating a simple-in-structure, emotionally complex form that transformed and upended culture and became the bedrock of popular song.

Tracing the music back to its geographical and cultural origins in the Delta is key to understanding how the blues were shaped. Over time, the Delta blues have touched virtually every form of popular music (rock and roll, soul, R&B, country-western, gospel), creating the soundscape of our lives.

What makes this book unique? Fathoming how the music flowed from living and working conditions in the heart of the Deep South; appreciating how life-changing events like the Flood of 1927 sparked a mass migration away from plantation life, spreading the blues to the cities in the North and becoming the soundtrack to the civil rights movement; how blues musicians interacted, “cross-fertilizing” their music by learning, influencing, and imitating each other.

The habits of travel are shifting, and there is more interest and a larger market for diving deep into destinations closer to home. Interest in Black history and culture and the role Black Americans played in shaping America is at an all-time high. By appreciating the roots of this most American style of music, readers will have a richer experience listening to songs and visiting blues’ holy and sacred sites.



Josephine Matyas and Craig Jones

Thursday, June 6

2 p.m.

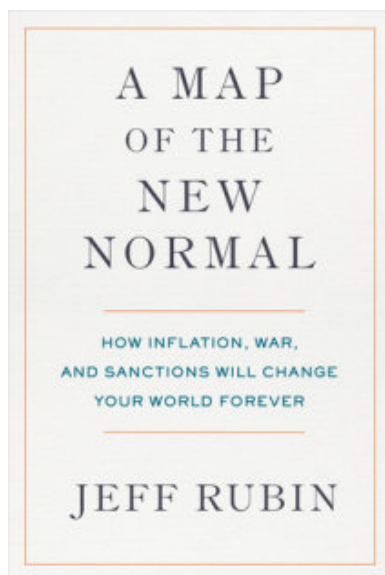
Picton Branch Library

VICKERY BOWLES

CEO of Toronto Public Library, Vickery Bowles toured the newly expanded Picton Branch recently and was moved to offer this talk as a fundraiser to help us finish the project.

Saturday, June 8
2 p.m.

\$20 tickets at any branch of the Library or at the door
A fundraiser for the Picton Branch Library expansion.



JEFF RUBIN

will discuss his new book, "A Map of the New Normal: How Inflation, War, and Sanctions Will Change Your World Forever"

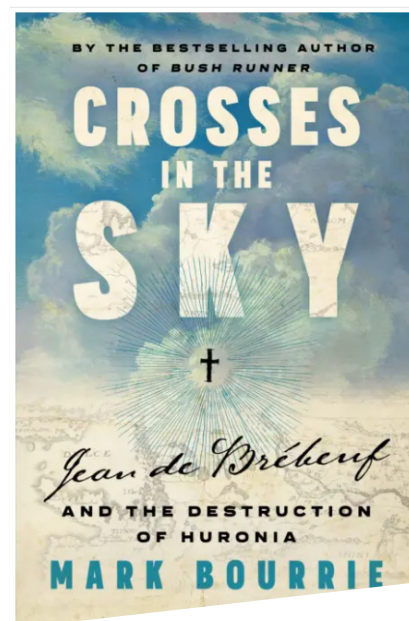
Bestselling economist Jeff Rubin warns that the shock inflation of 2021 is the front of a perfect storm of war, supply-chain disruption, geopolitical realignment, domestic upheaval, and energy scarcity that will change everything.

Picton Branch Library
Thursday, June 20 at 7 p.m.
\$20 tickets available at any branch of the Library or at the door

MARK BOURRIE

will discuss his new book "Crosses in the Sky." This is the story of the collision of two worlds. In the early 1600s, the Jesuits—the Catholic Church's most ferocious warriors for Christ—tried to create their own nation on the Great Lakes and turn the Huron (Wendat) Confederacy into a model Jesuit state. At the centre of their campaign was missionary Jean de Brébeuf, a mystic who sought to die a martyr's death. He lived among a proud people who valued kindness and rights for all, especially women. In the end, Huronia was destroyed. Brébeuf became a Catholic saint, and the Jesuit's "martyrdom" became one of the founding myths of Canada.

Picton Branch Library
Thursday, July 11 at 7 p.m.
\$20 tickets available at any branch of the Library or at the door



A Word from Our Friends

Milford Branch Library Celebrates Children and Reading!

The Friends of the Milford Branch Library have been busy this past winter dreaming up a new look for the Children's Area in our library. The whole branch has new carpet, a fresh, new paint colour in the children's area, new wall hangings, and the shelves have been rearranged to create an open, welcoming space for children of all ages. Games, toys, activities, an AWE computer, and of course reading space are all waiting for families and children to enjoy. This transformation has been made possible through generous community donations raised at Friends' sale events at the branch and the Milford Fair. So pop in, enjoy a complimentary hot chocolate or coffee, and see what we've been up to in Milford!

We are also excited to announce that beginning May 4 we will be offering the "Impressive Reader" reading program for children aged 5-12. Drop by the Milford Branch anytime to sign up. Kids can earn prizes by telling us about the books they are reading for fun. It's free and oh so easy to participate!

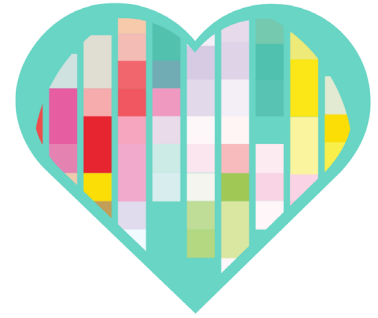
Save the Date! Sat. June 29 10 am – 2 pm

Book & Bake Sale at the Milford Branch - Welcome

summer and celebrate Canada Day

Free cake and souvenirs

Deb Grund - Friends of Milford Branch Library



Friends of the Wellington Library (FOWL)

We are pleased to be a sponsor for the upcoming author visit for the J/I students at CML Snider school. Lindsay Carmichael will be presenting her book "Polar, Wildlife at the Ends of the Earth". This event will be in the library.

The FOWL annual July 1st Book Sale will take place in the meeting room of the library from 9:30 - 2. The Friends of Wellington group welcomes new members to join. If interested, email or call Wellington Branch Library for more information. (613) 399-2023 or email wellington@peclibrary.org

Friends of the Bloomfield Branch Library

Share your ideas for programming, library space, advocacy, and meet library lovers! Drop by the branch or call (613) 393-3400 for more information.

Next meeting: Friday, May 10 at 2 p.m.

Friends of the Ameliasburgh and Consecun Branches

Plans are underway for the annual Consecun Day & Ameliasburgh Fair book sales. Drop by for more information about how to get involved.

Thank you to Ted McDonald for the recent donation of a ginko tree at the Consecun Branch Library.

Youth Programs



Field Naturalist Spring Fieldwork

Teens are invited to join the Prince Edward County Field Naturalists at the Picton Branch Library to learn about the County's habitats. We will learn how to use iNaturalist, Seek and Merlin apps to contribute to field research. After a short workshop we will walk to Delhi Park and put our new skills to the test, observing and identifying plants and habitats - think Pokemon GO but helping environmental science. Please bring a cell phone or tablet if possible - some devices are available to borrow from the Library. Hats and sunscreen recommended. Snacks provided. Fridays in May 3 - 5 p.m. Register at peclibrary.org

Discover YOUTH

A weekly drop-in is an all-inclusive safer space for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth and allies.

After school at the Picton Branch on Fridays, 3 - 5 p.m. In May, the group will join the Field Naturalist workshops and resume regular meetings in June.



SASS Club

Secondary After School Social Club

Tuesdays at the Picton Branch Library 3 - 5 p.m.

Drop in after school for a variety of activities that we choose together and vote on. Examples include art installations, podcasting, filmmaking, and community projects. Teens 13+ welcome



Musical Instrument Lending Library

Only \$10 gets you a 2 year membership to borrow musical instruments from the Library. Whether you want to try a guitar, keyboard, drum or other instrument, drop by the Picton Branch Library or call (613) 476-5962 to find out more. Instruments can be requested to any branch of the Library.

When you're ready to record, book a time (no charge!) in the sound room. No experience required - book a time for help.

Children's Programs

Baby Time

Thursdays 10:30 a.m.
Picton Branch Library
Stories, songs and
fingerplays.

Toddler Time

Fridays 10:30 a.m.
Picton Branch Library
Stories, songs and fun.

Storytime and Sing Along

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

A volunteer has offered to create soft "food" for the play kitchen at the Picton Branch Library and is looking for natural wool, cotton yarn and/or plain fabric to use. If you have some to donate, connect with Kyra (613) 476-5962.

PA DAY

Friday, May 31

Smash Bros Tournament

1 - 3 p.m.
Wellington Branch Library

Lego Build-a-Thon

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. ages
5-7 p.m.

2 - 3 p.m. ages 8+
Picton Branch Library

Star Wars Day

Saturday, May 4
2 - 3 p.m.
Wellington Branch Library
Create simple circuit LEC
Light Saber crafts

1000 Books (or more) Before Kindergarten

Reading to babies and toddlers lays the groundwork for a lifetime of learning. Tracking how many books you read together can help encourage you to make reading a part of every single day. Ask about the 1000 books (or more) before Kindergarten program at any branch of the library and learn how we can celebrate with you along the way to 1000+ books read.

Thanks to the Friends of the Wellington Branch Library for their support of this program.

Impressive Reader Society

School age readers can earn prizes by telling us about the books they are reading for fun. It's free and oh so easy to participate!

In May we're celebrating readers in Milford - drop by for more information.

Thanks to the Friends of the Milford Branch Library for their support of this program.



Did you know?

You can borrow lifejackets, passes to Quinte Conservation Areas and Ontario Provincial Parks from your library! Ask us at any branch of the library for more information.

Explore 4 - H

at the Picton Branch Library
A new session starts May 7 - Tuesdays 2:45 - 4:45 p.m. for 6 weeks
Thanks to the Stark Family Fund for making this possible.
Contact Jane Thompson janethompson1838@gmail.com or Lynn Ward lynward50@hotmail.com for information and to register.

Meeting Rooms

Need a quiet place to work? Holding a meeting with your nonprofit or community group? Looking for rehearsal space for your theatre group or band? The Picton Branch Library has several meeting spaces, large and small available for you. Free to nonprofits or community groups.

Contact Ella at (613) 476-5962 or email ehoek@peclibrary.org for a tour or to book your space.



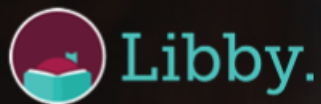
Tech Help

One-on-one tech help is friendly, flexible and free - and available at your library. Whether you need assistance with your cell phone, want to build a website for your small business or are interested in learning more about the library's online resources, we can help. Appointments are tailored to your specific questions and needs.

Call (613) 476-5962 to book your free appointment.

Did you know you can print, scan, and fax from your library? The Picton and Wellington Branches have high quality colour Xerox machines that can create jobs as large as 11x17"

**Borrow magazines for free
from our digital library.**



Book Clubs

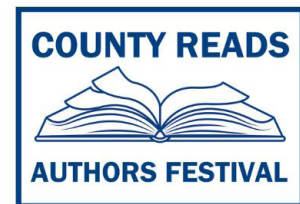
If you are interested in joining a book club, we can help. Call (613) 476-5962 and we'll connect you with groups that are welcoming new members. Already part of a group? We can help you get enough copies for your group in advance of your meeting date.

Home Delivery

In partnership with Community Care for Seniors, library books and other materials can be delivered to your home by screened volunteers at no charge. Residents receiving home delivery have requested **car magazines** - if you have some to donate, please contact Linda at (613) 399-2023.

New Books List

The library adds new books and DVDs each week. Receive a weekly email with all the latest plus new programs and more. Register at peclibrary.org or call (613) 476-5962 to get on the list.



Thank You

The County Reads Authors Festival was a smashing success. Thanks to everyone who made it possible, including:

The defenders:

J.C. Sulzenko, Andrew Binks, Roz Bound, Karen Valihora, and Ernie Margetson

Moderator **Ken Murray**

St. Mary Magdalene Church,
Jay Crockford and Kathy Condie

Kitchen wizard **Oriella Stillo**
who baked for three days!

Sponsors: Monmouth B&B
(Marilyn Leighton) and
Alexandra Bake

An advertisement for the County of Prince Edward Public Library & Archives. The background is a close-up photograph of an open book with its pages fanning out. The text is white and set against a dark background. The main headline reads "YOU CAN HELP grow library service in Prince Edward County". Below this, there is a white box containing text about donations: "Direct your donation to support your area of interest - Picton Expansion, your local branch, early literacy, programming or the print collection. Monthly, one time or annual gifts all make a difference. Give online - at any branch of the library or by mail. Donations over \$20 receive a tax receipt." At the bottom of the white box is the library's logo, a colorful circular graphic, and the text "County of Prince Edward Public Library & Archives".



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