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SOLOMON WRIGHT PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Hours:

- Monday 12-4
- Wednesday 12-8
- Friday 12-4
- Saturday 10-12

Upcoming Events...

Metal Detecting with Brad Martin of Green Mountain Detecting

Saturday, June 19, 12:00-1:00PM

In-Person/Outdoors at the SWPL (in case of rain, please check solomonwrightpubliclibrary.org for updates!)

Learn how metal detectors work, learn some tips and tricks, and check out a collection of cool local treasures!

Demystifying Death with Funeral Director Ellie DiCristofaro

Saturday, June 26, 1:00

(please visit solomonwrightpubliclibrary.org to register)

Ellie will answer all your questions about navigating the funeral planning process, and what happens to our bodies during the embalming and cremation processes.

While we welcome the CDC's updated mask guidance, for now the Solomon Wright Public Library will continue to require the use of face masks inside the library at all times. We are a community library serving all age groups, and must keep the health and safety of children, and those unable to vaccinate, in mind. We appreciate your continued cooperation and patience.

Pownal Student Art at the So. Wright!!

Pownal Elementary School students worked together to create a seascape inspired by Leo Lionni's book, "Swimmy." P.E.S. librarian Becky Bratcher read "Swimmy" to students, along with many other Lionni books. Students looked at and discussed how Lionni created the art in his beautiful stories. In art class, student artists focused on creating different things in order to piece together a seascape of creatures, seaweed, and more! This gorgeous installation of Pownal student art will be displayed in our community room throughout the month of June. We encourage you to stop by to take a look anytime the library is open!



Ms. Hunt's 3rd grade P.E.S. class has been studying force and motion in the classroom, and recently became masters of the simple machine! Students designed and created their very own simple machine playgrounds out of recycled materials for Earth Day. Simple machine playgrounds will be displayed in the library until June 12, 2021.

Community Book Review

by Michelle Despard

Jodi Picoult fans won't be disappointed with her 2016 novel, *Small Great Things*. It tackles the very difficult and challenging, yet so important topics of race, prejudice, and justice. The main character Ruth, is a highly experienced African American labor and delivery nurse who is assigned to an infant patient whose parents are white supremacists. The baby goes into cardiac arrest under Ruth's care, and with this turn of events, she suddenly finds herself at the center of a very public and vicious lawsuit. To add to this already spinning whirlwind, Ruth is often at odds with her lawyer's advice, and is trying to maintain a semblance of normalcy for her teenage son, who has his own struggles and reactions to this agonizing ordeal. Picoult also gives the reader the perspective of the white supremacists, which is necessary for the story, but difficult to digest. She will pull you into this fictional story while grappling with the racial climate our nation is currently facing.

