



## Massena Public Library

# The Big Read



Massena Public Library invites adults to read "*The Great Gatsby*" and children to read "*Bud Not Buddy*" this March.

The **Big Read** is an initiative designed to revitalize the role of literature in American society. Massena Public Library has partnered with the Big Read to encourage St. Lawrence County citizens to read *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald during the month of March. The Big Read is funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and matching funds from the Massena Friends of the Library group and local organizations. The Big Read 2010 at Massena Public Library will include a variety of free activities for adults, children and families. Below, please find a brief listing of upcoming activities that celebrates the Jazz Age, which is the setting for *The Great Gatsby*. Our children's Big Read title is *Bud Not Buddy* by Christopher Paul Curtis. Free copies of *The Great Gatsby* and *Bud Not Buddy* are available at Massena Public Library's circulation desk.

### BIG READ KICK-OFF AT MASSENA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Date: Sat, Feb. 27

Time: 2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.

Supervisor Joseph Gray will introduce the Big Read program. Join us for a 1920's party featuring jazz music, silent films and a display of memorabilia and photographs. Refreshments will be served and free copies of "The Great Gatsby" book, along with readers guides, magnets and bookmarks will be distributed.

### MOVIES AT THE NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY HAWKINS POINT VISITOR CENTER

Date: Thurs, Mar. 4

Time: 1:30p.m. - 3:00p.m.

**Movie Presentation of "The Great Gatsby."** The movie "The Great Gatsby," starring Robert Redford and Mia Farrow will be shown at the New York Power Authority's Hawkins Point Visitor Center Theater. Free popcorn will be served. You may pick up a free copy of the novel prior to and after the showing.



Date: Thurs, Mar. 11

Time: 1:30p.m. - 3:30p.m.

**Movie Presentation of "Ironweed."**

The movie "Ironweed," starring Jack Nicholson and Meryl Streep will be shown at the New York Power Authority's Hawkins Point Visitor Center Theater. Free popcorn will be served. You may pick up a free copy of the novel "The Great Gatsby" prior to and after the showing. "

Date: Thurs, Mar. 18

Time: 1:30p.m. - 3:30p.m.

**Movie Presentation of "Cinderella Man."** The movie "Cinderella Man," starring Russell Crowe and Renee Zellweger will be shown at the New York Power Authority's Hawkins Point Visitor Center Theater. Free popcorn will be served. You may pick up a free copy of "The Great Gatsby" prior to and after the showing.

Date: Thurs, Mar. 25

Time: 1:30p.m. - 3:30p.m.

**Movie Presentation of "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button."** The movie "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," starring Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett will be shown at the New York Power Authority's Hawkins Point Visitor Center Theater. Free popcorn will be served. You may pick up a free copy of "The Great Gatsby" prior to and after the showing.

### BOOK DISCUSSIONS AT MASSENA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Date: Wed, Mar. 3

Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m

**"Mutual Madness"** Dr. Kendall Taylor, cultural historian, will discuss her new book, "Mutual Madness." Dr. Taylor suggests that Zelda Fitzgerald's love affair with a French naval aviator greatly influenced Fitzgerald's writing of "The Great Gatsby."

Date: Tues, Mar. 9

Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

**Musical Composers From the Movies of the 1920's.** Mr. John Jungklaus will discuss music and composers of the Jazz Age. He will emphasize music from the movies and will incorporate musical pieces to accompany his talk. Discussion will follow.

Date: Tues, Mar. 10

Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

**Songs and Collaborations of the 1920's.** Mr. John Jungklaus will continue his discussion series of music of the 1920's. Tonight he will focus his presentation on songs and famous collaborations of the 1920's. A question and answer period will follow his presentation.

Date: Thurs, Mar. 11  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

### Live Radio Broadcasts of the 1920's.

Mr. John Jungklaus will conclude his three-part music presentation with tonight's program focusing on the live radio broadcasts of the jazz age. A discussion will follow.

Date: Tues, Mar. 16  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

### The Union Movement of the 1920's.

St. Lawrence University professor Dr. Alan Draper will discuss the beginnings of the labor union movement in New York.

Date: Wed, Mar. 24  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

### Natural Cures of the 1920's.

Bing Thomas, owner of The Natural Way health food store, will discuss natural cures that developed through the growing usage of herbs and nutritional supplements in the 1920's.

Date: Thurs, Mar. 25  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m.

### A Gathering of the Book Clubs, Hosted By NCPR.

Join us for our final Big Read event. North Country Public Radio station manager, Ellen Rocco and Chris Robinson from Clarkson University will moderate a discussion on "The Great Gatsby." We invite all readers of the book to join us for a lively discussion. Refreshments will be served.

## MUSICAL GROUPS AT MASSENA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Date: Tues, Mar. 2  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

### An Evening of Dinner Jazz.

Join us for an evening of dinner jazz presented by the group, "Two for the Road." Ken and Thomas Beckstead will entertain us with classic jazz tunes.



Date: Sat, Mar. 6  
Time: 2:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.

### Traditional Adirondack Blue Grass Music With the Pine Ridge Rounders.

The Pine Ridge Rounders have crafted a sound based on traditional blue grass music, along with an influence of country and folk. This five-piece ensemble consists of banjo, mandolin, guitar, resonator guitar and upright bass.



Date: Wed, Mar. 17  
Time: 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

### An Evening of Gypsy Jazz with "Minor Swing."

Join us for a lively St. Patrick's Day celebration featuring the musical group "Minor Swing." This innovative trio combines the swing music of the 1920's with the folk music of the European gypsies.

## ADULT CRAFT

Date: Sat, Mar. 13  
Time: 2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.

**Jewelry Making Workshop of the 1920's.** Join Natalie Jandreau for an afternoon of vintage jewelry making. Create a piece reminiscent of the 1920's. This workshop is free, however, pre-registration at the circulation desk is required.

## DAILY EVENTS

Date: Sat, Feb. 27 - Tues, Mar 30  
Time: 9:30a.m. - 8:30p.m.

**Life in Massena During the Roaring 20's.** An exhibit of photographs, documents and artifacts of Massena during the 1920's will be on display in the main reading room during the month of March.

Date: Mon, Mar. 1 - Wed, Mar. 31  
Time: 10:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.  
**1920's display.** The Massena Museum will host a 1920's exhibit during the month of March.

## KIDS ACTIVITIES

Date: Every Sat, Feb. 27- Mar. 27  
Time: 3:00p.m.

**Middle Read Trivia Contest.** A new question about our middle read title "Bud, Not Buddy" will be posted at the library every Saturday during the month of March. Our drawing will take place at 3:00 on Saturday afternoon. A prize will be awarded each week.

Date: Fri, Mar. 19  
Time: 3:00p.m. - 4:00p.m.

### Middle Read Book Discussion Group.

Our Big Read middle school book is "Bud, Not Buddy" by Christopher Paul Curtis. We'll discuss Bud Caldwell's journey to discover his jazz musician father. You may pick up your free copy of "Bud, Not Buddy" at Massena Public Library.

Date: Sat, Mar. 20  
Time: 11:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.

**Big Read Kids Day.** Our day will be devoted to kids! Join us at 11:00 for a special jazz-themed storytime and craft. The older children are invited to join our arts and craft group as they make flapper necklaces at 1:00. At 2:00 the students from "Tap To Toe" dance studio will have a 1920's dance demonstration featuring swing and tap dances. We'll be showing vintage Disney cartoon films from the 1920's at 3:00. Free popcorn and juice will be served during the movie.

Date: Mon, Mar. 22,  
Tues, Mar 23, Thurs. Mar. 25  
Time: 10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.

### Jazz Storytime.

Pre-schoolers and their adults are invited to a special jazz-themed storytime.

