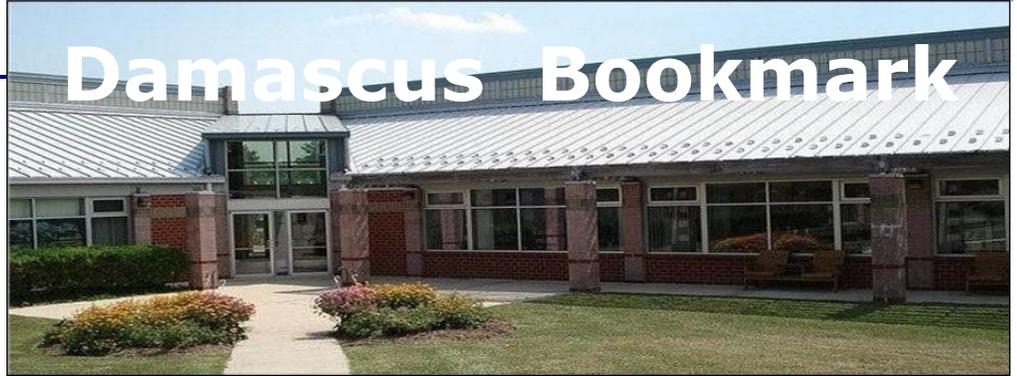


# Damascus Bookmark

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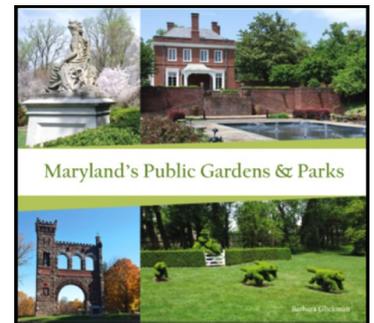
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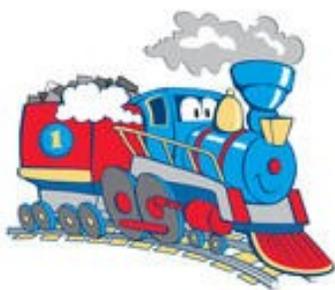
## *Author Barbara Glickman Returns to Damascus Library*



*Tuesday, October 27  
7:00 pm*



**Barbara Glickman**, author of *Capital Splendor-Gardens and Parks of Washington DC*, which she discussed at Damascus library in 2013, has now completed *Maryland's Public Gardens & Parks*, published in June, 2015. She has been an avid and active member of the DC gardening community for many years and is a member of the Acorn Garden Club and Great Falls Gardeners. Her extensive travels have taken her to gardens around the country and the world. Join us on October 27 for her informative talk about Maryland's parks and gardens.



## Train Day!!!

Saturday, November 7

10 am to 4 pm.



Bring the entire family and enjoy model train layouts, displays by the B & O Historical Society and Operation Lifesaver, live train music, Preschool Story Time all about trains at 10:30 a.m., and much, much more, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Damascus Chapter. A Hobo lunch will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; the menu includes hot dogs, chili dogs, chips, sodas and brownies, sponsored by the Damascus Senior Center. Join us for a day of fun for all ages! Call 240-773-9444 for more information.

# Remember Summer?



**Superhero Staff:** In July, during the Celebrate Damascus weekend, staff members and volunteers pose before the parade, carrying signs that encouraged children to join the Summer Reading Program. T-shirts with the logo “Every Hero has a Story” were donated by your Friends of the Library.

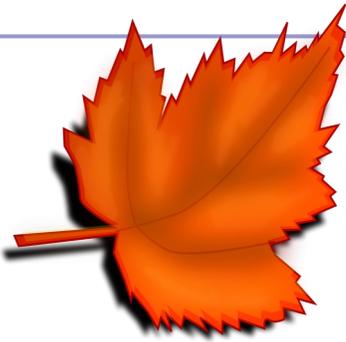


**Peter Wood:** His Shazam Superhero Show enthralled his audience as he performed interactive magic. Another program sponsored by FOL Damascus.



**20th Annual Sleepover:** Guest author Susan Stockdale shows off one of her books and explains to the sleepover audience her methods for writing and illustrating her work.

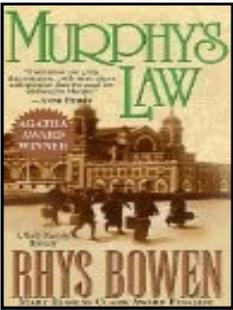
**Of Note:** Susan Stockdale is a noted author and illustrator of children's picture books, including *Bring On the Birds* and *Fabulous Fishes*. Her books celebrate nature and have won awards from the American Library Association, Parents' Choice, the National Science Teachers Association, Cooperative Children's Book Center, and Bank Street College of Education.



## Autumn Reading Suggestions for Adults

**THE INVENTION OF WINGS** by Sue Monk Kidd **Historical Fiction** 383 pages. Inspired by the true story of early 19<sup>th</sup> century abolitionist and suffragist Sarah Grimké, Kidd paints a moving portrait of two women linked by slavery. Sarah, daughter of a wealthy South Carolina plantation owner, exhibits an independent spirit and strong belief in the equality of all. Handful, a slave in the Grimké household, displays a sharp intellect and brave, rebellious disposition. Kidd immerses the reader in the lives of these fascinating women.

**MURPHY'S LAW** by Rhys Bowen **Cozy Mystery** 260 pages. Molly escapes from her Irish village after inadvertently causing the death of the young laird who tried to rape her. She finds herself in possession of a steerage ticket to New York and the custody of two small children. The passage to America and the tumultuous events of Ellis Island are vividly described. Run-ins with the police and Tammany Hall are only a few of Molly's adventures.



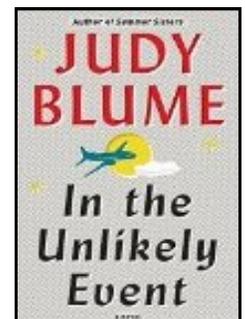
**THE ORCHARDIST** by Amanda Colin **Fiction** 426 pages. Set in the untamed American West at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century in a rural stretch of the Pacific Northwest in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains, a highly original and haunting novel about a make-shift family whose lives are shaped by violence, love, and an indelible connection to the land.

**MODOC: THE TRUE STORY OF THE GREATEST ELEPHANT THAT EVER LIVED** by Ralph Helfer **Nonfiction** 321 pages. Spanning seven decades and three continents, *Modoc* is one of the most amazing true animal stories ever told. Raised together in a small German circus town, a boy and an elephant formed a bond that would last their entire lives and would be tested time and again before their eventual rise to Ringling Brothers circus stardom in 1940s New York City.

**BETTYVILLE** by George Hodgman **Memoir** 279 pages. *The New York Times* calls this work “a remarkable, laugh-out-loud book. Rarely has the subject of elder care produced such droll human comedy, or a heroine quite on the mettlesome order of Betty Baker Hodgman. For as much as the book works on several levels (as a meditation on belonging, as a story of growing up gay and the psychic cost of silence, as metaphor for recovery), it is the strong-willed Betty who shines through.”

**THE WRIGHT BROTHERS** by David McCollough **History** 337 pages. The surprising, profoundly American story of Wilbur and Orville Wright. Far more than a couple of unschooled Dayton bicycle mechanics who happened to hit on success, they were men of exceptional courage and determination, and of far-ranging intellectual interests and ceaseless curiosity.

**IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT** by Judy Blume **Fiction** 409 pages. When Miri was fifteen, a succession of airplanes fell from the sky in her hometown Elizabeth, N. J., leaving a community reeling. Against this backdrop of actual events that Blume experienced in the early 1950s, she paints a vivid portrait of that time and place - Nat King Cole singing “Unforgettable,” Elizabeth Taylor haircuts, young (and older) love, explosive friendships, A-bomb hysteria, and rumors of a communist threat.



**THE LITTLE PARIS BOOKSHOP** by Nina George **Fiction** 392 pages. Monsieur Perdu calls himself a literary apothecary. From his floating bookstore in a barge on the Seine, he prescribes novels for the hardships of life. Using his feel for the exact book a reader needs, Perdu mends broken hearts and souls. Hoping to make peace with his own personal loss, he is joined in the south of France by a bestselling but blocked author and an Italian chef on a journey to find how to heal oneself.

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More Fall Programs and Events

For more information about any of these events, call the library at 240 773-9444

Damascus Community Fair - September 11, 12, 13. The library staff will be hosting a table at the fair and distributing information about MCPL. Fair booklets are available at the library.

Library of the Future Summit - September 24. At the Silver Spring Civic Building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The summit will begin with remarks by Library Director Parker Hamilton and County Council President George Leventhal. The keynote speaker will be Susan Benton, President and CEO of the Urban Libraries Council. In a new feature of this summit, the morning portion of the program at the Silver Spring Civic Building will use "Google Hangout on Air" live to the Gaithersburg Library at 18330 Montgomery Village Ave., providing an opportunity for feedback from an audience in another part of the County. Registration is required for in person attendance at either location. Registration will close on September 17, 2015. For more information and details, visit http://montgomerycountymd.libguides.com/summit or call 240-777-0002.

Book Discussion Group for Adults - fourth Monday of each month 7:30pm.

Autumn schedule:

- September 28: Transatlantic by Colum McCann
October 26: The Year of Magical Thinking by Joan Didion
November 23: The Venetian Bargain by Marina Fiorato

Luis Garay Percussion World Ensemble - Saturday, October 3, 4:00 pm.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15-October 15) by experiencing the passion and inspiration of the drum with the Luis Garay Percussion World Ensemble. This energetic, interactive program of Latin percussive music is sponsored by Friends of the Library, Montgomery County.

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