Welcome to *Library Notes*, a monthly publication of the Needham Free Public Library. Each month we'll give you a synopsis of the monthly goings-on and events happening at the Library, as well as highlighting ongoing services....

**August Events in the Community Room at the Needham Free Public Library...**

**Friday, August 29th**
**Pixar Film Festival: The Incredibles (G - 115 min)**
*From the Academy Award winning creators of Finding Nemo (2003 Best Animated Feature Film) comes the action-packed animated adventure about the mundane and incredible lives of a house full of superheroes.*
Bob Parr and his wife Helen used to be among the world’s greatest crime fighters, saving lives and battling evil on a daily basis. Fifteen years later, they have been forced to adopt civilian identities and retreat to the suburbs where they live “normal” lives with their three kids, Violet, Dash, and Jack-Jack. Itching to get back into action, Bob gets his chance when a mysterious communication summons him to a remote island for a top secret assignment. But he soon discovers that it will take a super family effort to rescue the world from total destruction.

**Toddler Movies - Summer 2008**
Once again we will be showing Toddler Movies - films based on storybooks, in the Community Room on Thursday mornings from 11:00 - 11:30 PM.
Please reserve the following dates: August 14, August 21, and August 28.

**Ongoing Activities....**
Appearing this month in the Friends’ Gallery:
Photographer Marty Harris

**Put on your Calendar....**
Best-Selling Author Robin Cook, MD, returns on September 9 at 7:30 PM
Robin Cook will discuss his new novel *Foreign Body*, set in India and the United States. Widely credited with introducing the word “medical” to the thriller genre with his first novel, *Coma*, Robin Cook will talk about medical tourism, the theme of this novel, and about his work and life including the prequel to *Foreign Body* produced on the web by Michael Eisner. *Foreign Body* is his 28th national bestseller; he has been translated into 40 languages and has sold more than one hundred million copies. This year’s event will conclude with book signing.

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.
Upcoming Events in September

Wednesday, September 24  7:00 PM
Author Lawrence Cobin - Anna's Shtetl
Anna Spector was born in 1905 in Korsun, a Ukrainian town on the Ros River, eighty miles south of Kiev. Korsun and its fluid ethnic population were characteristic of the Pale of Settlement in Eastern Europe: comprised of Ukrainians, Cossacks, Jews and other groups living uneasily together in relationships punctuated by violence. Anna left in 1919, having lived through the Great War, the Bolshevik Revolution, and part of the ensuing civil war, as well as several episodes of more or less organized pogroms—deadly anti-Jewish riots begun by various invading military detachments during the Russian Civil War and joined by some of Korsun's peasants. Her rare account, the product of some 300 interviews, is valuable because most personal memoirs of ghetto life are written by men. Although the Jewish communities in Eastern Europe are now virtually gone, less than 100 years ago they counted a population of millions. Come and hear about this dark period of history - the book will be available for sale and autographing following the presentation.

Saturday, September 27th   10:30 AM
Children's Singer Mr. Kim Webster
Mr. Kim integrates music and puppetry to entertain and educate your musical minds. An accomplished guitarist and songwriter, Mr. Kim's music program incorporates fun movement exercises and hand-play to introduce such concepts as rhythm and tonality. Come join us for this fun family event.

Monday, September 29th   7:00 PM
Needham Author Samuel L. Blumenfeld - The Marlowe-Shakespeare Connection: A New Study of the Authorship Question
This book addresses the long-standing debate over the Shakespeare authorship problem and offers a daring solution: that the true author of the works attributed to Shakespeare was in fact poet and playwright Christopher Marlowe. Citing substantial and compelling evidence, Mr. Blumenfeld outlines several hypotheses to support his case, including the theory that several top people in Queen Elizabeth's government were involved in the plot to save Marlowe (who was reportedly a spy in the Secret Service). The book will be available for purchase and autographing following the presentation.

Library Hours:
Mon. - Thurs.   9:00AM - 9:00PM
Fridays         9:00AM - 5:30PM
Saturdays       9:00AM - 5:00PM