



LIBRARY NOTES

August 2010

**NEEDHAM
FREE PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

Welcome to *Library Notes*, a monthly publication of the Needham Free Public Library. *Library Notes* describes both the monthly events at the Library and the ongoing services...

Friends of the Needham Library – Summer Mini-Book Sale

Sat., August 7th 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM



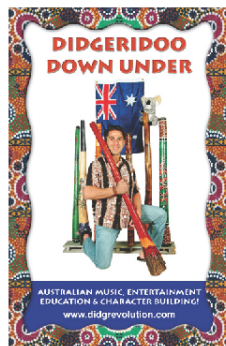
The Friends of the NPL will hold a special four hour book sale from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. All items in the Community Room will be priced at 50¢. Books in the ongoing sale area will be sold at 50% off dur-

ing this four hour sale.

Didgeridoo Down Under Wed., August 11th

DIDGERIDOO DOWN UNDER is a high-energy, Australia-theme show that combines music, art, puppetry, comedy, environmental education, character building and audience participation. Perfect for kids 3 to ageless!

11:00 AM



Using books, vocabulary lists, maps, artifacts, art work, puppets, and musical instruments to enhance their presentations, **DIDGERIDOO** engages the audience with a fresh perspective, delivering lessons and messages that transcend all countries, borders and peoples ... in promoting cultural harmony, environmental protection and global unity, furthering appreciation of world music and indigenous art and in encouraging kindness and respect toward all living beings *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

The Yo Yo Guy – John Higby – 2008 World Champion

Fri., August 20th 3:00 PM



Who would have thought you could make an entire show out of yo-yos? John Higby brings back that nostalgic toy, reminding you of old favorite tricks such as *Walk the Dog* and *Rock the Baby*, then amazing you with new and bizarre tricks, such as *Boingy-Boingy* and

Iron Whip. Yo-yos attached to bouncy balls, yo-yos with 10-foot strings, and multiple yo-yos looping while hula hooping and unicycling are just some of John's finely tuned feats. High skill and deft timing to swingin' music coupled with high energy and sarcastic humor makes Yo-Yo Guy a favorite for every age. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



Senior Center Movies @ the Needham Free Public Library - Thursdays at 1:00 PM

August 5th - *Sabrina*, 1954

August 12th - *Amelia*, 2009

August 19th - *The Long, Long Trailer*, 1954

August 26th - *Mister Roberts*, 1955

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.

What's happening this month in the Children's Room...

Children's Programs in August

Drop-in Storytime for ages 5 and under

Fri., August 6

10:00 AM

Wed., August 11, 18, 25

10:00 AM



Stories, music, movement and more for 30 minutes.

Story times are drop-in - No registration required.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan

Fri., August 13th

3:00 PM



For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5**



Mon., August 9th

11:00 AM

Fri., August 27th

11:00 AM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. **Registration is required, one session per month only please.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog: for ages 3 and up**



Wed., August 4th

10:00 AM

Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes

(recently retired first grade teacher at Newman)

for a great program that encourages children to read! **Registration required and begins one

week prior to program. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

Summer Reading Club Activities

Our 2010 Summer Reading Program will end on August 20th (all hours should be recorded by then). Certificates and bags will be available for collection from August 20th-September 30th.



Go Green: Dinosaur Storycrafts for ages 2+**

Thur., August 5th

4:00 PM

StoryCraft programs include stories and craft activities. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Go Green: Musical Instruments and Toy Crafts! for ages 3+**

Tues., August 10th

4:00 PM

All Craft programs offer 4-5 crafts on the theme. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Go Green: Weather StoryCrafts for ages 3+**

Thur., August 12th

4:00 PM



StoryCraft programs include stories and craft activities. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.

Go Green: Back to School Crafts! for ages 3+**

Tues., August 24th

4:00 PM

All Craft programs offer 4-5 crafts on the theme.

**Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Go Green: Vacation Memories Scrapbooking for ages 4 + with adult!**

Thur., August 26th

4:00 PM



For this program, please bring 3 -4 themed photos from a summer event! **Registration required, beginning one week before event.

August Special Events

Percy Jackson's Birthday Party for ages 7+**

Thurs., August 19th

4:00 PM

Percy's birthday is August 18, but we will celebrate the day after! Please be sure that children have a familiarity with the series and characters as we will have a game relating to the stories! Crafts and other activities will add to the festivities. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Meet Dora the Explorer: for ages 3 - 6

Fri., August 20th

10:30 AM



Listen to stories and visit with special guest, Dora the Explorer, at a special storytime. Caregivers and children are invited to take photos with Dora after the stories. Sponsored by the UFund Start U

Reading Literacy Program. This program will be held in the Community Room.

Toddler Movies - Summer 2010



We will once again be showing Toddler Movies – films based on storybooks, in the Community Room on Thursday mornings from 11:00 - 11:30 AM. Please join us on the following dates: August 5th, August 12th, August 19th and August 26th.

Summer Movie Schedule

(All movies at 2:00 PM)

Wed., August 4th - Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (PG - 89 min.)

All of the lovable characters are back – Alex the lion, Marty the zebra, Melman the giraffe and Gloria the hippo, King Julien, Maurice and the penguins – in *Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa*. They find themselves in the wildest place of all – the vast plains of Africa – where our zoo-raised crew encounter species of their own kind for the very first time. While discovering their roots, they quickly find the differences between the concrete jungle and the heart of Africa. Despite long-lost relatives, romantic rivals and scheming hunters, Africa seems like a great place...but is it better than their Central Park home?



Fri., August 27th - The Lion King (G - 89 min.)



The adventures of Simba, the feisty lion cub who “just can’t wait to be king.” But his envious Uncle Scar has plans for his own ascent to the throne, and he forces Simba’s exile from the kingdom. Alone and adrift, Simba soon joins the escapades of a hilarious meerkat named Timon and his warmhearted warthog pal, Pumbaa. Adopting their carefree lifestyle of “Hakuna Matata,” Simba ignores his real responsibilities until he realizes his destiny and returns to the Pride Lands to claim his place in the “Circle of Life.”

This Month in the Friends Gallery

Lisa Goren
Antarctica

September Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, September 14th

1:00 PM

Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Stout

At times stern, at other times patient, at times perceptive, at other times in sad denial, Olive Kitteridge, a retired school-teacher, deplores the changes in her little town of Crosby, Maine, and in the world at large, but she doesn't always recognize the changes in those around her: a lounge musician haunted by a past romance; a former student who has lost the will to live; Olive's own adult child, who feels tyrannized by her irrational sensitivities; and her husband, Henry, who finds his loyalty to his marriage both a blessing and a curse.

As the townspeople grapple with their problems, mild and dire, Olive is brought to a deeper understanding of herself and her life-sometimes painfully, but always with ruthless honesty. Olive Kitteridge offers profound insights into the human condition-its conflicts, its tragedies and joys, and the endurance it requires.



NPL Evening Book Group

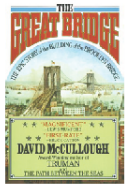
Wednesday, September 22nd

7:00 PM

The Great Bridge

by David McCullough

In the years around 1870, when the project was first undertaken, the concept of building an unprecedented bridge to span the East River between the great cities of Manhattan and Brooklyn required a vision and determination comparable to that which went into the building of the great cathedrals. Throughout the fourteen years of its construction, the odds against the successful completion of the bridge seemed staggering. Bodies were crushed and broken, lives lost, political empires fell, and surges of public emotion constantly threatened the project. But this is not merely the saga of an engineering miracle; it is a sweeping narrative of the social climate of the time and of the heroes and rascals who had a hand in either constructing or exploiting this amazing enterprise.



Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00am - 9:00pm

Fridays

9:00am - 5:30pm

Saturdays

9:00am - 5:00pm

Upcoming Events...

Facebook 101

Thur., September 2nd 7:00 PM



With over 120 million users in the US alone, Facebook is the world's most popular social network. Despite its popularity, Facebook's frequently changing features and confusing privacy settings can make it difficult for beginners to use. Come to this fun and interactive two-hour class to learn the basics of using Facebook safely to keep in touch with friends and family. A Facebook account is not required to attend! **Limit 20 per session** - Sign up one week before the event at the Reference Desk. Note: Because this is an interactive class, a **WiFi-equipped laptop is required.**

Diane Kordas:

Romper Rhythms and Puppets Presents -

Pirates! and Tales of the Sea

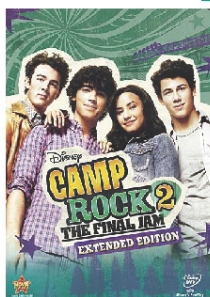
Sat., September 25th 3:00 PM

Pirate Long John Silver and his parrot, Flint, find a sea chest full of stories. "How the Whale Got His Throat" and "A Little Mermaid," uses a combination of hand and shadow puppets to tell the story. The story of "Ocean Born Mary," the NH pirate legend, is told with hand puppets, lots of laughs and audience participation. No gore or sword fights! Diane's trademark humor and audience participation highlight the show. This presentation is sponsored by The Library Foundation of Needham.



Children's Movie: Disney's Camp Rock 2: The Final Jam (Rated G - 104 minutes)

Fri., September 24th 3:30 PM



Mitchie can't wait to go back to Camp Rock and spend the summer making new music with her friends and superstar Shane Gray. But the slick new camp across the lake, Camp Star, has drummed up some serious competition—featuring newcomers Luke and Dana. In a sensational battle of the bands, with Camp Rock's future at stake, will Camp Star's flashy production and over-the-top antics win out, or will camp rockers prove that talent, teamwork, and spirit are what truly matter?



Listed as a "Best of Reference Resource" by the New York Public Library, and recommended by the *Los Angeles Times* as the best online-language learning resource for travelers, **Mango Languages** is currently available to Needham residents.

Mango offers a selection of over 20 different languages to learn online. The website also offers English as a Second Language for speakers of over 14 different languages. Just go to the Research and Information blue tab on the Minuteman Catalog page: <http://library.minlib.net/search>, enter your Needham library card number, and scroll down alphabetically to the **Mango** icon.

According to the Reference Department, over 500 sessions were logged in during the last year, with Spanish being the most popularly requested language, followed by Japanese, Italian and German.

And coming in August, the **Mango Mobile** application will become available for the *iPhone*, *iPod touch* and *iPad*. Just download the application from the *iTunes online store* and you'll be able to access **Mango** courses from just about anywhere!

How Do I Access It?

All you have to do is launch your downloaded application – you'll then be asked to login with your library user name and password (i.e. your library barcode number and password used to request items from the Minuteman Library website). Don't have a password — just ask the Reference Staff to establish one for you. Once the application has been launched, you can then access your lessons with or without an internet interface.

How Does It Work?

The lessons themselves work just like the online **Mango** lessons — just simply touch your screen to reveal answers, hear pronunciations, and interact with the lesson format.

If you have questions — please contact the Reference desk at the library at 781-455-7559 or e-mail: neemail1@minlib.net.

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