



LIBRARY NOTES

July 2008

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LIBRARY**

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.....

July Events in the Community Room at the Needham Free Public Library...

Wednesday, July 2nd 3:00 PM



Having Fun with Fossils and Dinosaurs

Dressed for digging and protected by a pith helmet, intrepid fossil hunter Paulette Morin of Millennium Technologies, Inc., introduces children to the wonders of the prehistoric past and dinosaurs. This is a multi-media show incorporating science and storytelling with information on how to find fossils and will have more than 100 fossil specimens to examine. Children are encouraged to carefully pick up and examine the many fossils on display. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library

Friday, July 11th 2:00 PM

Pixar Film Festival: Monster's Inc. (Rated G - 93 Minutes)

In the city of monsters called Monstropolis, where no humans live, lies the city's power company, Monsters, Inc. The lovable confidant, tough large, furry blue behemoth-like giant monster named James P. Sullivan (A.K.A. better known as Sulley) and his Cyclops wisecracking best friend - a short, green monster with one large eye, going by the name of Mike Wazowski discover what happens when the real world interacts with theirs in the form of a 2-year-old baby girl dubbed "Boo," who accidentally sneaks into the monster world with Sulley one night. And now it's up to Sulley and Mike to send Boo back in her door before anybody notices...



Monday, July 14th 3:00 PM

Creature Teachers: The Rainforest



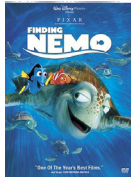
Creature Teachers is a family owned business specializing in environmental and animal education. Their goal is to fascinate audiences with the wonders and diversity of the animals that share our planet. The Library is pleased to

present The Rainforest, their signature show with 8-10 rainforest animals providing the teaching tools for this popular program. In this overview, they will discuss all aspects of the rainforests - from the layers that make up the forest, their locations around the world and finally the dangers that threaten this fragile ecosystem. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library - come join us for this fascinating show!

Friday, July 25th 2:00 PM

Pixar Film Festival: Finding Nemo (Rated G - 100 Minutes)

A widowed clown fish named Marlin, living in the Great Barrier Reef loses his son, Nemo, after he ventures into the open sea, despite his father's constant warnings about the ocean's many dangers. Nemo is abducted by a boat, netted up and sent to live in a fish tank in a dentist's office in Sydney, Australia. So Marlin ventures off to try to find Nemo, along the way meeting a fish named Dory, a blue tang suffering from short-term memory loss. The companions travel great distances, encountering various dangerous sea creatures such as sharks, anglerfish and jellyfish, and also some really gnarly sea turtles in order to rescue Nemo. While they are doing this, Nemo and the other sea animals in the dentist's fish tank plot a way to save Nemo from a fate worse than death, the dentist's dreaded niece Darla and return to Sydney Harbor to live their lives free once again.



Monday, July 28th 7:00 PM

Needham Author Louise Reilly Sacco - The Museum of Bad Art: Masterworks

Louise Reilly Sacco, a founding member and currently the permanent acting interim executive director of the Museum of Bad Art (located in the basement of the Dedham Community Movie Theatre) will be talking about her latest book and will be bringing Art from the museum for display. Autographing session following talk - book will be available for purchase.



Wednesday, July 30th 3:00 PM

Crazy for Critters with Carolyn Martino

A snake that can spell? How swell! A turtle that can fly? Oh, my! Designed for the 2008 "Wild Reads" theme, Crazy for Critters is a playful, interactive show with some of Carolyn's favorite tales about animals in the wild, and those that wannabe, mixed with songs, jokes, audience participation and just plain fun. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.



Ongoing Activities....

Appearing this month in the Friends' Gallery:

Dover Senior Artists

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

Children's Department

July Storytimes



Lap-sit Baby Book Time - for ages up to 2 1/2

Tues., July 8, 22, 29 10:00 - 10:20 AM

Wed., July 16 10:00 - 10:20 AM

Toddler Time for ages 2 1/2 - 4

Wed., July 9, 23, 30 10:00 AM

Stories from around the world for ages 4 - 7

Tues., June 3, 10, 17 4:00 - 4:30 PM

Story times are drop-in - no registration required. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

July Craft Activities



Storycraft for ages 3 - 5

Thursday, June 5th 3:45 - 4:15 PM

Registration required, maximum of 15 children.

Creative Kids Craft: for ages 5 - 7

Thursday, June 12th 3:45 - 4:30 PM

Registration required, maximum of 15 children.

July Music Activities



Tuesday, July 1st & 15th 11:30 AM

Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein

An interactive music and movement program for children ages 0-4 and adults. Registration required - max. 20 children & accompanying adult. Registration begins approx. 1 week before program. Due to its popularity and to ensure that other children have the opportunity to experience this program, registration is limited to one session only.

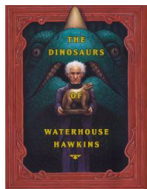
Thursday, July 10th & 24th 3:00 - 3:45 PM

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan for children 2.9-5 years accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time. During the Summer, Ed will be performing in the Community Room.

Read-Aloud Book Club for 1st and 2nd Graders

Wednesday, July 23rd 4:00 - 5:00 PM

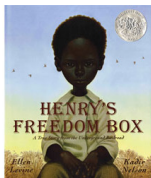
This month we will be reading *The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins* by Barbara Kerley, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 10 children in rising grades 1-2. Adults are not required to attend the book club with their child.



Read-Aloud Book Club for 3rd and 4th Graders

Thursday, July 31st 4:00 - 5:00 PM

This month we will be reading *Henry's Freedom Box* by Ellen Levine, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 10 children in rising grades 3-4. Adults are not required to attend the book club with their child.



Wild Reads Summer Reading Program 2008



The Children's Library at the Needham Public Library is once again running a Summer Reading Club, from June 16-August 15. There are two clubs this

year to suit varying reading levels: **Read to Me (ages 3-6)** and **Independent Readers (grades K-6)**. The registration period begins June 16 and ends on July 25, 2008.

You can register and maintain your reading log online at:

<http://iread.evanced.info/needham/sr/homepage.asp> or at the Children's desk.

All readers who complete the program will win prizes and be eligible for a special raffle at the end of the summer. Stop by the Children's Room for more details or call (781) 455-7559 ext. 204.

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: July 3; July 17; July 31; August 14; August 21; and August 28.

Upcoming Events in August

Thursday, August 7th 3:00 - 3:45 PM

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan

Friday, August 15th 2:00 PM

Pixar Film Festival: Toy Story

Thursday, August 21st 3:00 PM



Gerwick Puppets - Adventures from Thornton Burgess

This much loved production is adapted from the nature stories of Massachusetts author Thornton Burgess. Characters such as Reddy Fox, Hooty Owl, Peter and Mrs Rabbit, Jimmy Skunk, Johnny Chuck and Unc' Billy Possum are found in their own specific habits and habitats and teach about their behavior and habitat in an amusing interactive style with the audience. This very popular production has been enjoyed by school children since 1977 and will serve as the finale to this summer's 'Wild Reads' Summer Reading Clubs.

Friday, August 29th 2:00 PM

Pixar Film Festival: The Incredibles

LIBRARY HOURS:

MON. - THURS. 9:00AM - 9:00PM

FRIDAYS 9:00AM - 5:30PM

SATURDAYS 9:00AM - 5:00PM