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.

Pumpernickel Puppets: Sir George and the Dragon with Z-2000 the Space Robot

Monday, July 13th  3:00 PM

Pumpernickel Puppet shows are presented with a cast of colorful puppet characters, audience participation, live voices and sound effects and fast-paced scripts that educate as well as entertain. A demonstration period follows every performance giving the audience some insight into what happens behind the scenes. Additionally, Z-2000, the “Light Up” Space Robot will make a special guest appearance during the show.

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Noisy Science

Monday, July 27th  3:00 PM

Noisy Science is Karl Saliter and Ed Stander. These two friends met for the first time in Tivoli Gardens, Japan in 1998, and have been working together ever since. Their new show — Noisy Science — brings music, theatre, and humor together to present the science behind sound in a new and thoroughly entertaining manner. Nowhere will you find the world’s smallest concertina, a bagpipe wannabe competing against a flageolet, or a juggler acting as a roadie for a science professor. This is high art with no excuses. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Children’s Movie - Inkheart (Rated PG - 106 min.)

Friday, July 17th  2:00 PM

A young girl’s father has the power to bring characters from books to life by reading those books aloud. When a power-hungry villain from a rare children’s fable kidnaps the man, his daughter bands with a group of friends both real and imagined to set things right.

Needham Free Public Library awarded LEED Certification by the USGBC

Library Trustee Greg Shesko and Library Director Ann MacFate display the Needham Free Public Library’s LEED Certification Plaque. (See article on page 4)

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.
What’s happening this month in the Children’s Room...

**Summer Reading Clubs**
The Children's Room at the Needham Public Library is once again running a Summer Reading Club, from June 16-August 18. There are two clubs this year to suit varying reading levels: **Read to Me (ages 3-6)** and **Independent Readers (grades K-6)**. You can register and keep track of your books online at: www.readsinma.org/needham. You also have the option of maintaining a print log at the Children’s Desk. The registration period began on June 16 and ends on July 28, 2009. All books must be logged in by August 18, 2009. All prizes and reading certificates must be picked up by September 25, 2009.

**July Music Activities**
**Sing-Alone with Ed Morgan**
Fri., July 10th  3:00 PM
For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

**Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein**
Wed., July 8th  10:30 AM
Tues., July 21st  10:30 AM
An interactive music and movement program for children under 4 and adults. Registration required - max. 20 children & accompanying adult. Registration is required and is limited to one session only.

**July Programs In the Community Room**
**Toddler Movies - Summer 2009**
Once again we will be showing Toddler Movies, films based on storybooks, in the Community Room on Thursday mornings from 11:00 - 11:30 AM. Please reserve the following dates:
July 2nd, July 9th, July 16th, July 23rd, July 30th, August 20th, August 27th, and September 3rd.

**Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt:**
for ages 3-5
Mon., July 13th  11:00 AM
Mon., July 27th  11:00 AM
Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. Registration is required.

**July Reading Clubs**
**Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog**
Wed., July 1st  10:00 AM
Wed., July 29th  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 is required.

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**Outer Space Film Festival in July**

**Star Wars: A New Hope** (ep.4)  
(Rated PG - 121 min.)  
Thursday, July 2nd 2:00 PM

Nineteen years after the formation of the Empire, Luke Skywalker is thrust into the struggle of the Rebel Alliance when he meets Obi-Wan Kenobi, who has lived for years in seclusion on the desert planet of Tatooine. Obi-Wan begins Luke's Jedi training as Luke joins him on a daring mission to rescue the beautiful Rebel leader Princess Leia from the clutches of Darth Vader...

**Space Buddies**  (Rated G – 84 min.)  
Friday, July 24th 2:00 PM

Disney's irresistible talking puppies are back in an all-new movie that takes them where no Buddy has gone before — the moon! With the help of some stellar new friends, this out-of-this-world adventure is one small step for dog, one giant leap for dogkind. Moving at warp speed, dodging asteroids and more, the Buddies and their two new friends, Spudnick and Gravity, must summon their courage and ingenuity to launch plans for a moon landing and a rocketing trip back home. Will they have the right stuff?

**E.T. the Extraterrestrial**  
(Rated PG – 115 min.)  
Friday, July 31st 2:00 PM

Tells the story of an alien creature, E.T., mistakenly left behind on Earth. When a young boy, Elliott, finds E.T. and hides him in his home, both their worlds are changed forever. E.T. teaches Elliott and his two siblings, whose parents have recently separated, about caring and love while the children protect E.T. from the malevolent world of grown-ups. Elliott and E.T. become so close that they share emotions; as E.T. becomes ill, so does Elliott. The children end up going on a fabulous adventure trying to help E.T. find a way back to his home planet.

**SUMMER MOVIES in AUGUST**

**Escape to Witch Mountain**  
(1975 edition)  (Rated G – 97 min.)  
Friday, August 28th 2:00 PM

A vehicle floats in midair a coat rack comes to life and attacks a sheriff and wild animals are putty in the hands of Tony and Tia Malone in Disney's thrilling fantasy adventure about the psychic powers of two young orphans. Their clairvoyance prompts evil millionaire Aristotle Bolt to lure them to his mansion to exploit their powers. While escaping, they meet a friendly camper and begin to unravel the mystery of their origin. Soon, all three are fleeing townspeople who have branded the children witches but then IT happens! Someone with even greater powers takes over and leads the children and the audience into a dazzling and unexpected experience one that is truly out of this world!

**In the Friends’ Gallery:**

Kalman Gacs  
Climate Change: Inflamed and Inspired
Upcoming Events...

**Toe Jam Puppet Band In Outer Space**
Fri., August 21st  3:00 PM

Toe Jam in Outer Space...
All aboard! Countdown...4-3-2-1-zero... Blast off! ...into Outer Space with the band as they play songs from their new original CD, ‘*Toe Jam in Outer Space!*’ The show features a spacey dress-up puppet show and some crazy anti-gravity dancing!
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Did You Know...

**Needham Free Public Library awarded LEED Certification by the USGBC** (cont. from page 1)

The Needham Free Public Library has been awarded LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certification by the USGBC (U.S. Green Building Council). LEED is the USGBC’s rating system for designing and construction of the world’s greenest, most energy efficient, and high performing buildings. The Needham Free Public Library was designed by Ann Beha Architects to achieve LEED certification for energy use, lighting, water and material use, as well as incorporating a variety of other sustainable strategies. LEED verifies environmental performance, occupant health, and financial return. LEED was established for market leaders to design and construct buildings that protect and save precious resources while also making good economic sense. LEED certification of the Needham Free Public Library was based on a number of green design and construction features that positively impacted the project itself and the broader community, including:
- Having water-efficient landscaping
- Providing a rainwater harvesting system
- Implementing a storm water management plan that results in at least a 25% decrease in the rate and quantity of storm water runoff
- Equipping the building with heat recovery ventilators and condensing boilers
- Constructing a well-insulated building envelope
- Diverting 78.9% of project construction waste from a landfill to recycling
- Using low-emitting materials (paint, carpet, wood)
- Installing 9 bicycle stalls to encourage people to bicycle to the library

“The Green building movement offers an unprecedented opportunity to respond to the most important challenges of our time, including global climate change and dependence on non-sustainable and expensive sources of energy,” said Rick Fedrizzi, President, CEO and Founding Chair, U.S. Green Building Council. “The work of innovative building projects such as the Needham Free Public Library is a fundamental driving force in the green building movement.”

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