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....

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

**Friends Spring Book Sale -**
*Saturday, May 31st*
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
**Sunday, June 1st**
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
*Sunday is Bargain Day! Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

**Thursday, June 5th**
7:30 PM  
**Friends of the Needham Public Library Annual Meeting & Program:**  
Justin Locke – *Real Men Don’t Rehearse*  
*Real Men Don’t Rehearse* is an amusing inside look at the zany secret world of professional orchestras. It is illustrated with dozens of humorous tales of musician antics and concert meltdowns. Outsiders are rarely allowed such access, but at last you can have your own personal tour of the mystical and magical realm of professional orchestras and the people who play in them. It was written by Justin Locke, who spent 18 seasons as a professional freelance double bassist in Boston. He played with the Boston Symphony, the Boston Pops, as well as for ballets, operas, and Broadway shows. He is also well known in the symphonic world as the author of *Peter VS the Wolf* and the *Phantom of the Orchestra*, which are internationally acclaimed programs for orchestra family concerts.

**Monday, June 23rd**
3:00 PM  
**Where the Wild Things Really Are with Judy Pancoast**  
Designed as a musical complement for the ‘Wild Reads’ Summer Reading Club theme, this program is all about children going wild at the library, and will serve as the kickoff event of a summer of fun at the Needham Public Library. From the very first song, “Wild One” (an extension of Where the Wild Things Are), children will be moving, dancing and having a wild time! This program is filled with energetic, positive, original yet interactive songs from an acclaimed children’s songwriter and performer. Judy Pancoast is the award winning songwriter of the hit Christmas song “The House on Christmas Street” which is played on the radio in New England each Christmas season. She has been featured in *The Boston Globe*, on National Public Radio’s “Day to Day” and may be heard as a part-time deejay on Oldies 103.3 in Boston. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

**Tuesday, June 24th**
7:00 PM  
**Poetry Reading: Ellen Argyros - Feta in Brine**

**Ongoing Activities....**

**Appearing this month in the Friends’ Gallery:**  
**Needham Artist Carol Hansen**

**Tuesday, June 10th**
1:00 PM  
**NPL Book Group**
This months’ selection:  
**Saint Joan: A Chronicle Play in Six Scenes and an Epilogue** by Bernard Shaw and/or **Joan of Arc** by Mark Twain  
*Saint Joan: A Chronicle Play in Six Scenes and an Epilogue*  
‘Everything she did was thoroughly calculated; and though the process was so rapid that she was hardly conscious of it, and ascribed it all to her voices, she was a woman of policy and not of blind impulse’

**Wednesday, June 18th**
7:00 PM  
**NPL Evening Book Group**
This months’ selection:  
**Absolutely America: Four Years at West Point** by David Lipsky  
*Drawing on complete, unprecedented access to West Point and its cadets, David Lipsky explores the academy’s rich history, describes the demanding regimen that swallows students’ days, and examines the Point as a reflection of our society. Absolutely American is a thrilling portrait of a unique institution and those who make up its ranks.*

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.
Thursday, June 27th  2:00 PM  
Pixar Film Festival: A Bug’s Life  
(Rated G - 95 Minutes)  
Every year, a bunch of grasshoppers comes to the  
anthill and eat what the ants have gathered for them.  
The “offering”, as the ants call the ritual, is a part  
of their fate. One day in spring, when the offering  
their preparation has just been finished, Flik, unlike inventor ant, ac  
cidentally drops the whole offered seeds into the river. The grasshoppers  
come and give the ants a second chance to collect food until fall. Flik  
sets off to find bugs that are willing to fight the grasshoppers (nobody  
expects him to succeed anyway) and, due to a double misinterpreta  
lation, returns with a circus crew, giving everybody new hope. When the  
misunderstanding finally gets cleared out, there is only little time left  
for a new plan, which has to work, or else...  

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.  

Upcoming Events - July 2008  
Wednesday, July 2nd  3:00 PM  
Having Fun with Fossils and Dinosaurs  

Thursday, July 10th  3:00 - 3:45 PM  
Sing-Along with Ed Morgan  

Friday, July 11th  2:00 PM  
Pixar Film Festival: Monster’s Inc.  

Monday, July 15th  3:00 PM  
Creature Teachers: The Rainforest  

Thursday, July 24th  3:00 - 3:45 PM  
Sing-Along with Ed Morgan  

Friday, July 25th  2:00 PM  
Pixar Film Festival: Finding Nemo  

Wednesday, July 30th  3:00 PM  
Crazy for Critters with Storyteller Carolyn Martino  

Kristen has been our main contact for the Kids Reading Club. The first and second graders meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:00 PM. In June we will be reading Stella Brite and the Dark Matter Mystery by Sara Latta, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 10 children in grades 1-2. Adults are not required to attend the book club with their child. If you like to read and talk about books, come and check us out and be at the start of something new and fun!  

Library Hours:  

Mon. - Thurs.  9:00AM - 9:00PM  
Fridays  9:00AM - 5:30PM  
Saturdays  9:00AM - 5:00PM  
Sundays  1:00PM - 5:00PM  

Children’s Department  
June Storytimes  
Lap-sit Baby Book Time - for ages up to 2 1/2  
Tues., June 10  10:00 - 10:20 AM  
Wed., June 4, 11, 18  10:00 - 10:20 AM  

Toddler Time for ages 2 1/2 and up  
Wed., June 4, 11, 18  10:45 AM  
Thurs., June 5, 12  10:00 AM  

Preschool Storytime for ages 4 - 5 years old  
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.  

June Craft Activities  
Storycraft for ages 3 - 5  
Thursday, June 5th  3:45 - 4:15 PM  
Registration required, maximum of 15 children.  

Drop-in Father’s Day Craft for all ages  
Thursday, June 12th  3:45 - 4:30 PM  
No Registration required.  

June Music Activities  
Tuesday, June 3rd & 17th  10:30 - 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.  

Friday, June 13th  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.  

Read-Aloud Book Club for 1st and 2nd Graders  
Wednesday, June 25th  4:00 - 5:00 PM  
This month we will be reading Stella Brite and the Dark Matter Mystery by Sara Latta, do some fun activities, and have a discussion about the book. Registration is required and limited to 10 children in grades 1-2. Adults are not required to attend the book club with their child. If you like to read and talk about books, come and check us out and be at the start of something new and fun!  

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: June 26; July 3; July 17; July 31; August 14; August 21; and August 28.