



LIBRARY NOTES

March 2007

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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.....

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

Ninth Annual Piano Festival-

*Co-Sponsored by the Needham Concert Society and the
Needham Free Public Library*

Saturday, March 3rd

2:00 PM - Student Ensembles

3:00 - 5:00 PM - Solo Student Piano

Recitals

Sunday, March 4th - 3:00 PM

Trio Twenty-One - Featuring Needham Resident and pianist Steve Snitzer, violinist Barbara Engelsberg and cellist Colleen McGary-Smith performing the music of Haydn, Ravel and Shostakovich.

Saturday, March 10th - 10:00 AM

Norah Dooley - I Kissed the Blarney Stone: Irish tales to delight young and old. Including beautiful Irish airs on pennywhistle and fiddle and rousing sing alongs.



Sunday, March 11th - 3:00 PM

Two Old Friends - Mac McHale & Emery

Hutchins, affectionately known as Mac & Hutch, have recently joined forces to sing and play songs from Ireland, the mountains and the sea.

They will be performing some of their favorites from **The Northeast Winds** as well as some very old-time traditional country music. The program is sure to include some of your favorite Irish sea songs, a good amount of hot picking instrumentals and some great sing-a-longs. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



Sunday, March 18th - 2:00 PM

A Visit with Louisa May Alcott: a living history portrayal with Jan Turnquist. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



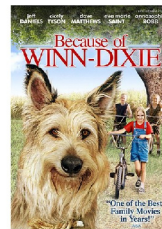
Needham Reads!

Needham Reads! is an effort to bring our community together around one book. This year we choose *Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo as the book that everyone in town can read for Townwide Book Group events during Needham Unplugged week in March 2007.

Saturday, March 24th

1:00 PM

Movie: *Because of Winn Dixie*

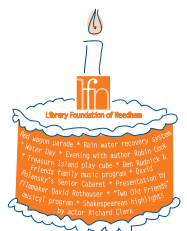


A 10-year-old girl, abandoned by her mother when she was three, moves to a small town in Florida with her father, a preacher. While there, she adopts a stray dog whom she names after the local supermarket where he was found. With her

goofy pooch by her side, she meets an eclectic group of townspeople and rekindles an almost lost relationship with her father. **Preceded by a discussion of the book.**

Saturday, March 31st - 3:00 PM

First Year Celebration of our new Library - *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



Check-out the revised and updated Library website for the latest news and information about upcoming events at the Library.

Go to <http://www.town.needham.ma.us/Library/>

Children's Department March Activities



Baby Book Time - for ages 0 - 2 1/2

Wed., March 28 10:30 - 10:50 AM
Thur., March 29 10:30 - 10:50 AM

Toddler Time for ages 2 1/2 - 4

Tue., March 27 10:30 - 10:50 AM

Little Listeners Story Time for ages 4 and up

Thur., March 29 3:30 - 4:00 PM

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

Creative Kids - ages 6 and above

Thursday, March 8th 3:30 - 4:00 PM

Registration is required and begins March 1st - limited to 24 spaces. Younger siblings cannot be accommodated.

Story Craft for ages 3 - 5

Tuesday, March 20th 3:30 - 4:00 PM

Registration is required and begins March 13th - limited to 12 spaces. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Children's Movie -

Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory

Friday, March 30th 3:30 PM



The world is astounded when Willy Wonka, for years a recluse in his factory, announces that five lucky people will be given a tour of the factory, shown all the secrets of his amazing candy, and one will win a lifetime supply of Wonka chocolate. Nobody wants the prize more than young Charlie, but as his family is so poor that buying even one bar of chocolate is a treat, buying enough bars to find one of the five golden tickets is unlikely in the extreme. But in movieland, magic can happen. Charlie, and four somewhat odious other children get the chance of a lifetime and a tour of the factory. Along the way, mild disasters befall each of the odious children, but can Charlie beat the odds and grab the brass ring? *1971 edition - Rated G.*

Ongoing Activities....

Appearing this month in the Friends' Gallery:

Retrospective Showing of the Art of Giovanni Castano: Impressionistic Oils and Watercolors
Works of art from Needham-based Artist Giovanni Castano (1896 - 1978).

Tuesday, March 13th - 1:00 PM

NPL Book Group

This month's selection:

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan by Lisa See.



Set in 19th-century China, See's national bestseller tells a story of two young women who find solace with each other, developing a bond that keeps their spirits alive. But when a misunderstanding arises, their lifelong friendship suddenly threatens to tear apart. *Sponsored by the*

Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library. All are welcome.

Upcoming Events - April 2007

Sunday, April 1st 2:00 PM

Richard Clarke Presents....a solo performance of....Shakespeare's Greatest Hits.... *The Lunatic, the Lover and the Poet.* *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

Wednesday, April 18th 7:30 PM

McIver Series: Authors Bill Tapply and Vicki Stiefel. *Sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.*

Friday, April 20th 2:30 PM

Childrens Program: Steve Rudolph - Magic and More.

Sunday, April 22nd 2:00 PM

Here comes the American Bride, the history of our country reflected in our weddings. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.*

LIBRARY HOURS:

MON. - THURS.	10:00AM - 9:00PM
FRIDAYS	10:00AM - 5:30PM
SATURDAYS	9:00AM - 5:00PM
SUNDAYS	1:00PM - 5:00PM