Upcoming Events...

Dr. Edward M. Hallowell - Crazy Busy: Overstretched, Overbooked, and About to Snap! Strategies for Coping in a World Gone ADD

Sun., November 2nd 2:00 PM
Dr. Hallowell in speaking about his 2006 book, Crazy Busy says that the best systems for organizing ourselves do no good if our stated priorities are too numerous or un-focused, or if we are too disconnected from the people we cherish. With easy-to-follow advice that covers the large and small issues of life management, this book offers as much to CEOs as it does to house-husbands and minimum-wage workers. Come hear from a renown expert on ADD (and a fellow sufferer) tips on how to cope with this disorder. This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Debbie and Friends - Story Songs and Sing Alongs

Sat., November 8th 10:30 AM
Debbie and Friends concerts are fun for the whole family. Parents and kids join in this interactive “variety show,” which includes a diverse array of styles including rock, pop, country, reggae, and Broadway-esque tunes. You’ll become the Big Bad Wolf and blow the house down, fix Rosie’s wrong rhymes, test your tunes. You’ll become the Big Bad Wolf and blow the house down, fix Rosie’s wrong rhymes, test your tunes. You’ll become the Big Bad Wolf and blow the house down, fix Rosie’s wrong rhymes, test your tunes.

McIver Series - 2008 - 2009

Richard Clarke in GREAT SCOT!
IT’S ANDREW CARNEGIE!
Sun., November 23rd 2:00 PM
He rose from humble beginnings to become “The King of Steel” and the richest man in the world. He was called the “greediest little devil that ever lived” yet gave away billions of dollars building thousands of libraries. He worried with labor yet passionately advocated world peace and counted Mark Twain, Helen Keller and Booker T. Washington as his friends. Come join us as actor Richard Clarke brings this fascinating conundrum of a man to life. This program is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.

From the Reference Department...

FYI - Attention Book Clubs

Starting this month, the library has enhanced its online subscription to NovelList (located on the Database page) by including nonfiction titles. This reader’s advisory site reviews over 150 award lists and provides subject access to over 92,000 titles. Many also have book discussion guides. Contact the Reference Dept for more information.

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.  9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays       9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays     9:00am - 5:00pm
Sundays       1:00pm - 5:00pm

36th Annual Friends’ Fall Book Sale

Saturday, October 4th 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
New on opening day: Individually marked materials in the ongoing sale area at half-price
Sunday, October 5th 1:00 - 4:00 PM
Sunday is Bargain Day! $8/bag or half-price per item in the Community Room.
Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library

Library Foundation of Needham announces its First Annual Gala:

Saturday, October 18th
Don your favorite black, white, or red semi-formal attire for this special evening and enjoy cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction, and live entertainment—all provided by local residents. Proceeds will benefit the LFN’s endorsement fund. Tickets are $50 and available at the Library’s Circulation desk, by going to www.lfnonline.org or by calling 781-801-6944. Locally sponsored by Roche Bros. as presenting sponsor and the Friends of the Needham Public Library as a benefactor.

Decision 2008: A Predictable Outcome?

Thurs., October 9th 7:30 PM
William G. Mayer, associate professor of political science at Northeastern University, will talk about how the state of our politics in 2008 compares with those of past elections and how this may or may not determine the outcome of the November election. Bill Mayer has been called “the nation’s leading academic authority” on the presidential nomination process. In every presidential election year since 1996, he has edited a set of original essays on the presidential nomination process, the most recent of which is The Making of the Presidential Candidates 2008 (Rowman and Littlefield). This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Author Eve LaPlante: Salem Witch Judge: The Life and Repentance of Samuel Sewall

Tues., October 28th 7:00 PM
Eve LaPlante, a sixth great-granddaughter of Samuel Sewall, will speak about the life of her famous ancestor Salem Witch Judge Samuel Sewall, the only person to make public repentance over his actions and the only Salem Witch Judge to make amends. There will be an autographing session following the presentation. Books will be available for sale. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

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

**October Storytimes**

- **Lap-sit Baby Book Time** - for ages up to 2 1/2
  - Wed., Oct. 1, 8, 22, 29
  - 10:00 - 10:20 AM
  - We read stories, sing songs, and finger plays for about 20 minutes.

- **Toddler Time** - for ages 2 - 4
  - Thurs., Oct. 2, 9, 23, 30
  - 10:00 AM
  - We read stories, sing songs, and more for 30 minutes.

- **Preschool Stories** - for ages 3 - 5
  - Tues., Oct. 7, 28
  - 10:00 AM
  - We read stories, sing songs, and play games for about 30 minutes.

- **Stories from around the world** - for PreK - Gr.1
  - Tues., Oct. 7, 28
  - 4:00 - 4:30 PM
  - We will be reading stories from around the world for about 30 minutes.

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

**October Music Activities**

- **Sing-Along with Ed Morgan**
  - Fri., Oct. 10th
  - 3:00 PM
  - For children 2-9 years accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

- **Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein**
  - Fri., Oct. 17th
  - 10:00 AM
  - Thurs., Oct. 30th
  - 9:30 AM
  - 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 and is limited to one session only.

- **Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt** - for ages 3-5
  - Thurs., Oct. 9th
  - 11:00 AM
  - Fri., Oct. 31st
  - 1:00 PM
  - Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. Registration is required - max. 20 children & accompanying adult.

**October Reading Events**

- **Online Book Club Info Meeting for Grades 3-4 and Grades 5-6**
  - Wed., Oct. 6th
  - 4:00 - 4:30 PM
  - Thu., Oct. 6th
  - 4:30 - 5:00 PM
  - Come and learn about using the online book club and choose our first books. Registration required.

- **Online Book Club for Grades 3-4**
  - Wed., Oct 29th
  - 4:00 - 5:00 PM
  - Online Book Club for Grades 5-6
  - Wed., Nov 5th
  - 4:00 - 5:00 PM
  - Read-Aloud Book Club for 1st & 2nd Graders
  - Wed., Oct. 22nd
  - 4:00 PM
  - Registration is required for all clubs and limited to 15 members. Grade level restrictions apply.

- **Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog**
  - Mon., Oct 27th
  - 6:30 PM
  - Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes (first grade teacher at Newman) for a great program that encourages children to read! Registration is required and limited to 15 children.

**October Programs**

In the Community Room

- **KLS Magic Castle Puppet Theater: A Pirate's Missing Pumpkin Halloween Show**
  - Sat., October 25th
  - 10:30 AM
  - “A Pirate’s Missing Pumpkin” is a puppet performance with lots of fun and mystery. A pirate pulls his ship to shore in hopes of recovering his missing... and magical pumpkin which finds him many treasures in the sea. Meanwhile, Frances the Fish has been lost somewhere and all the sea creatures are concerned because Frances has been so caring about all the life in the oceans. Can you guess who hides in a pumpkin patch not far from the ocean? Who does the Missing Pumpkin help...? Come and join us for this magical puppet presentation.

- **Children’s Movie: Ballet Shoes**
  - Fri., October 24th
  - 3:30 PM
  - “Ballet Shoes” is a heartwarming and uplifting film based on the beloved, best-selling novel by Noel Streatfeild and featuring an award-winning cast that includes Emilia Fox, Victoria Wood, Richard Griffiths and Eileen Atkins.

**NPL Book Group**

- **This month's selection:**
  - The Manor by Isaac Bashevis Singer
  - “The Manor” is a bold tale of Polish Jews in the latter half of the nineteenth century, a time of rapid industrial growth and radical social change that enabled the Jewish community to move from the ghetto to prominence within Polish society.

- **NPL Evening Book Group**
  - Wednesday, Oct. 15th
  - 7:00 PM
  - **This month's selection:**
  - Any Four Women Could Rob the Bank of Italy by Ann Cornelissen
  - During an Italian summer of kidnappings and robberies, career women El and Lacey find themselves being waved through roadblocks by Italian police who assume that females are incapable of any premeditated crime. The friends conclude that any four women could rob the Bank of Italy... and the police would still go around looking for four men. At first, it is a kind of joke to pass the time. Then it evolves from what if we did? to let's do it, and eventually becomes a stunningly successful robbery of a mail train leaving the perpetrators in a hilarious struggle with their own consciences and the local police.

Appearing this month in the Friends’ Gallery:

- **John Borchard - “Fog”**
  - Display Cases: Medicine Bottles

For further information about upcoming events, go to [www.needhamma.org/library](http://www.needhamma.org/library).