



LIBRARY NOTES

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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...

Green Apple Kids Band

Sat., Sept. 26, 2009 11:00 AM



The **Green Apple Kids Band** writes songs that inspire celebration and caring for our Earth. Set in the imaginary world of the Green Apple Orchard and featuring special puppet guests, Steve, Jackie & Rob perform their eco-flavored tunes about nature, animals and recycling in a fun, engaging and highly interactive presentation for 2 – 8 year olds. Come join us as

they present a lively and entertaining show that children will love and learn from as well...

Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Friends of the Needham Library 37th Annual Fall Book Sale

Saturday, October 3rd

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



This sale includes individually-priced books, hardcovers, trade paperbacks, and mass-market paperbacks.

Sunday, October 4th

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Sunday is Bargain Day -
everything will be half-price!



Second Annual Black, White & Read All Over Gala

Saturday, October 17th 7:00 PM

The LFN is currently making plans for its second annual **Black, White & Read All Over Gala**, to be held on Oct. 17th from 7:00 -10:00 PM. at the Needham Free Public Library. The gala, a fund raiser for the Needham Library through the Library Foundation of Needham endowment, will be a festive, informal evening of black, white and red attire, enjoyable conversation, fine food and libations, music and auctions. It will include special tributes to Needham's many authors, including a champagne reception with honorary gala co-chairs Dan Shaughnessy of The Boston Globe and Gail Huff of Channel 5. For more information, contact the LFN at info@lfnonline.org or by calling 781.801.6944.

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

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

September Activities

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan

Fri., September 11th 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., September 16th 10:30 AM

Wed., September 23rd 10:30 AM

An interactive music and movement program for children under 4 and adults.

Registration required - max. 20 children & accompanying adult, and limited to one session only.



Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5

Mon., September 14th 11:00 AM

Mon., September 28th 11:00 AM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. Registration is required.



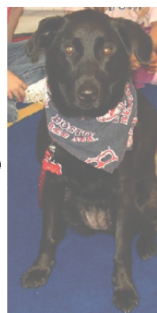
Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog

Wed., September 9th 10:00 AM

Wed., September 30th 6:30 PM

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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Children's Movies in September

The Last Starfighter (Rated PG - 101 min)

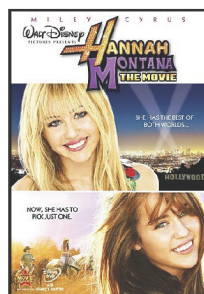
Fri., September 3rd 3:30 PM



Alex Rogan is a small town teenager with big time dreams. Dreams of college . . . of success . . . of marrying his girlfriend Maggie . . . He's just like everybody else, except Alex has a very special talent . . . that no one on Earth can appreciate. But, tonight, a mysterious stranger has called on Alex. He's come from a galaxy that's under attack from an alien force. And Alex's unique ability is their last hope . . .

Hannah Montana: The Movie (Rated G - 102 min)

Fri., September 25th 3:30 PM



When Miley Stewart (aka pop-star Hannah Montana) gets too caught up in the superstar celebrity lifestyle, her dad decides it's time for a total change of scenery. But sweet niblets! Miley must trade in all the glitz and glamour of Hollywood for some ol' blue jeans on the family farm in Tennessee, and question if she can be both Miley Stewart and Hannah Montana. With a little help from her friends and awesome guest stars Taylor Swift, Rascal Flatts and Vanessa Williams, will she figure out whether to choose Hannah or Miley?

Don't forget to pickup your Reading Logs and Prizes from the Starship Adventures @ Your Library Reading Club by September 25th.



September Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

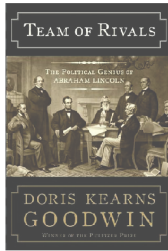
Tuesday, September 8th

1:00 PM

Team of Rivals

by Doris Kearns Goodwin

On May 18, 1860, William H. Seward, Salmon P. Chase, Edward Bates, and Abraham Lincoln waited in their hometowns for the results from the Republican National Convention in Chicago. When Lincoln emerged as the victor, his rivals were dismayed and angry.



Throughout the turbulent 1850s, each had energetically sought the presidency, as the conflict over slavery was leading inexorably to secession and civil war. That Lincoln succeeded was the result of a character that had been forged by life experiences that raised him above his more privileged and accomplished rivals. He won because he possessed an extraordinary ability to put himself in the place of other men, to experience what they were feeling, to understand their motives and desires.

This capacity enabled President Lincoln to bring his disgruntled opponents together, create the most unusual cabinet in history, and marshal their talents to preserve the Union and win the war.

NPL Evening Book Group

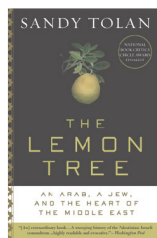
Wednesday, September 16th

7:00 PM

The Lemon Tree: An Arab, a Jew, and the Heart of the Middle East

by Sandy Tolan

Based on a 43-minute radio documentary that Tolan produced for Fresh Air, this volume pursues the story into the homes and histories of the two families at its center through the present day. Their stories form a personal microcosm of the last 70 years of Israeli-Palestinian history. In 1967, not long after the Six Day War, three young Arabs ventured into the town of Ramla, in Jewish Israel.



They were on a pilgrimage to see their separate childhood homes, from which their families had been driven out nearly twenty years before during the Israeli war for independence. Only one was welcomed: Bashir Al-Khayri was greeted at the door by a young woman named Dalia.

This act of kindness in the face of years of animosity and warfare is the starting point for a remarkable true story of two families, one Arab, one Jewish, an unlikely friendship that encompasses the entire modern history of Israelis and Palestinians and that holds in its framework a hope for true peace and reconciliation for the region.

In the Friends' Gallery:

Harriet Binder



Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00am - 9:00pm

Fridays

9:00am - 5:30pm

Saturdays

9:00am - 5:00pm

Sundays

1:00pm - 5:00pm

Upcoming Events...

An Evening with the Danforth Museum of Art

Wednesday, October 7th 7:00 PM

Spend an evening with the Danforth Museum of Art and learn more about the Museum's rich permanent collection of American Art, more than 25 annual changing exhibits of the best in contemporary art, an award winning Museum School and unique educational programs through an engaging multi-media presentation.



Driftwood Fire — From Appalachia to Jazz – A fun filled musical journey!

Sunday, October 11th 3:00 PM



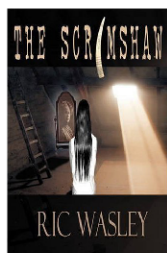
Colorado based **Driftwood Fire** – **Lynn Scharf** (on vocals) and **Charlotte Formichella** (on guitar and banjo) will be

performing original songs as well as famous American standards. Beginning in the Scottish based traditions of Appalachian music, and following American history through 1920's jazz, **Driftwood Fire** explores the continued influence of roots music on contemporary folk, rock and country. Join them for a warm and inviting performance as they take us on this musical journey. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

Author Ric Wasley

Tuesday, October 20th 7:00 PM

Author Ric Wasley makes a return visit to the Needham Public Library to discuss his latest work *The Scrimshaw* – featuring private investigator Mick McCarthy from his previous book, *Shadow of Innocence*.



Magician Tommy James - The Halloween Magic Show

Saturday, October 24th 10:30 AM



This 45 minute performance for ages 5 and up has it all! A very spooky magic wand. A haunted Jack-O-lantern. A skull that takes on a life of its own and floats all over the stage! There are ghosts and goblins and a visit from his dear friend Bunnicula the Vampire Bunny, a real live bunny appearing from his magic castle! It will be a Spooktacular Event that you won't want to miss! Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Children's Movie: Monsters vs. Aliens (Rated PG - 94 min)

Friday, October 30th 3:30 PM



When Susan Murphy is unexpectedly clobbered by a meteor full of outer space gunk, she mysteriously grows to 49-feet-11-inches tall and is instantly labeled a "Monster" named Ginormica. The military jumps into action, and she is captured by General W.R. Monger and held in a secret government compound filled with other "monsters" like herself. This ragtag group consists of the brilliant but insect-headed Dr. Cockroach, P.H.D.; the macho half-ape-half-fish The Missing Link; the gelatinous and indestructible B.O.B. ; and the 350-foot grub called Insectosaurus. Their confinement time is cut short however, when a mysterious alien robot lands on Earth and the motley crew of Monsters is called into action to save the world from imminent destruction.

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