



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...

Facebook 101

Thurs., September 2nd 7:00 PM



With over 120 million users in the US alone, Facebook is the world's most popular social network. Despite its popularity, Facebook's frequently changing features and confusing privacy settings can make it difficult for beginners to use. Come to this fun and interactive two-hour class to learn the basics of using Facebook safely to keep in touch with friends and family. A Facebook account is not required to attend! **Limit 20 per session** - Sign up one week before the event at the Reference Desk. Note: Because this is an interactive class, a **WiFi-equipped laptop is required**.

Diane Kordas:

Romper Rhythms and Puppets Presents - Pirates! and Tales of the Sea

Sat., September 25th 3:00 PM

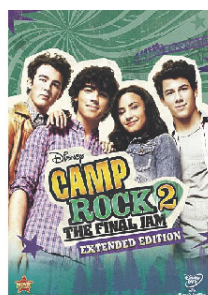
Pirate Long John Silver and his parrot, Flint, find a sea chest full of stories. "How the Whale Got His Throat" and "A Little Mermaid," uses a combination of hand and shadow puppets to tell the story.

The story of "Ocean Born Mary," the NH pirate legend, is told with hand puppets, lots of laughs and audience participation. No gore or sword fights! Diane's trademark humor and audience participation highlight the show. This presentation is sponsored by *The Library Foundation of Needham*.



Children's Movie: Disney's Camp Rock 2: The Final Jam (Rated G - 104 minutes)

Fri., September 24th 3:30 PM



Mitchie can't wait to go back to Camp Rock and spend the summer making new music with her friends and superstar Shane Gray. But the slick new camp across the lake, Camp Star, has drummed up some serious competition—featuring newcomers Luke and Dana. In a sensational battle of the bands, with Camp Rock's future at stake, will Camp Star's flashy production and over-the-top antics win out, or will camp rockers prove that talent, teamwork, and spirit are what truly matter?

Friends of the Needham Library Fall Book Sale

Sat., October 2nd 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sun, October 3rd 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Saturday

Thousands of books, most priced at \$.50 or \$1.00 with a small area of better/older books that are individually priced.



Sunday is Bargain Day!

Hardcovers are \$.50, paperbacks \$.25 and \$8.00/brown bag. Better Book Area books are 50% off (no Brown Bag sales).

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

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

Children's Programs in September

Drop-in Storytime for ages 5 and under

Wed., September 1, 15, 29 10:00 AM



Stories, music, movement and more for 30 minutes.

Baby Laptime for ages 0-12 months (Prewalkers)

Fri., September 24th 10:00 AM

A low-key interactive program of simple stories, songs, and rhymes for about 15 minutes, followed by a 15 minute "playtime."



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

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan

Fri., September 10th 3:00 PM



For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program - please arrive on time.

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

Tues., September 21st 11:00 AM



Fri., September 24th 11:00 AM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. **Registration is required, one session per month only please.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog: for ages 3 and up**

Wed., September 8th 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 required and begins one week prior to program. *Sponsored by the*

Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Toddler Movies

Thurs., September 9, 23 11:00 AM



Due to popular response, we will continue to show Toddler Movies – films based on storybooks, in the Community Room.



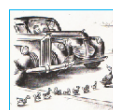
September Craft & Special Events

Grandparents' Day Storycrafts for ages 3 - 6**

Thurs., September 9th 4:00 PM



Storycraft Programs include stories and 3 - 4 related crafts. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Happy Birthday - Robert McCloskey & Tomie DePaola! Storycrafts for ages 3 - 6 years**



Tues., September 14th 4:00 PM

Storycraft Programs include stories and 3 - 4 related crafts. **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Pirates and Princesses Party #2 for ages 3 - 6 years**



Thurs., September 16th 4:00 PM

By popular demand, we are having another party just like the one last May. Dress-up welcome! **Registration required, beginning one week before event. If you attended the May program, please let other people come to this one!

Hispanic Heritage Month Stories and Crafts for ages 5 and under

Fri., September 17th 10:00 AM



Come join us as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

Drop-In Fall Crafts for ages 5 and under



Wed., September 22nd 10:00 AM

Thurs., September 30th 4:00 PM

Both of these programs will feature the same 4 - 5 crafts. Please choose to attend one or the other.

Good Manners Month Storycrafts for ages 3 - 6**

Thurs., September 23rd 10:00 AM

Come join us as we celebrate Good Manners Month! **Registration required, beginning one week before event.



Johnny Appleseed's Birthday - Fall Crafts for ages 4 and up**

Wed., September 29th 4:00 PM

Come join us as we celebrate Johnny Appleseed's Birthday! **Registration required, beginning one week before event.

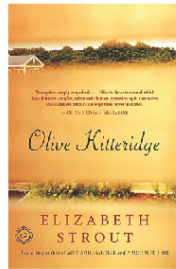
September Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, September 14th

Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Stout

1:00 PM



At times stern, at other times patient, at times perceptive, at other times in sad denial, Olive Kitteridge, a retired schoolteacher, deplores the changes in her little town of Crosby, Maine, and in the world at large, but she doesn't always recognize the changes in those around her: a lounge musician haunted by a past romance; a former student who has lost the will to live; Olive's own adult child, who feels tyrannized by her irrational sensitivities; and her husband, Henry, who finds his loyalty to his marriage both a blessing and a curse.

As the townspeople grapple with their problems, mild and dire, Olive is brought to a deeper understanding of herself and her life—sometimes painfully, but always with ruthless honesty. Olive Kitteridge offers profound insights into the human condition—its conflicts, its tragedies and joys, and the endurance it requires.

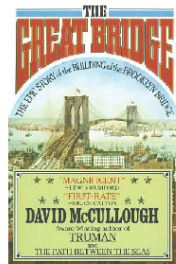
NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, September 22nd

The Great Bridge

by David McCullough

7:00 PM



In the years around 1870, when the project was first undertaken, the concept of building an unprecedented bridge to span the East River between the great cities of Manhattan and Brooklyn required a vision and determination comparable to that which went into the building of the great cathedrals. Throughout the fourteen years of its construction, the odds against the successful completion of the bridge seemed staggering. Bodies were crushed and broken, lives lost, political empires fell, and surges of public emotion constantly threatened the project. But this is not merely the saga of an engineering miracle; it is a sweeping narrative of the social climate of the time and of the heroes and rascals who had a hand in either constructing or exploiting this amazing enterprise.

DID YOU KNOW...



The Reference Department announces a new addition to the database page. **Consumer's Checkbook**, a non-profit company, reveals the Boston area's service companies and stores rated (Best & Worst) for quality and prices. This site started in the Washington DC and San Francisco areas over 20 years ago and is now covering the Greater Boston area. It gives independent ratings you can trust of local auto repair shops, plumbers, kennels and more. It may be found on the database page, listed under **Research and Information** on the library's catalog page. Due to licensing restrictions, this website may only be accessed on the upper floor computers. Check it out the next time you are at the library!



There are many readers on waiting lists for bestselling titles. If you are on a list and find you no longer need a title, please either call the Reference Desk at 781-455-7559 to cancel your reserve or do so yourself online, so that the item may be released to the next person on the list.

This Month in the Friends Gallery

Mark Richards

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...

Ben Rudnick and Friends

Sat., October 16th

10:30 AM

Ben Rudnick & Friends concerts feature a celebratory quality equally inviting to the toddler, older folks and everyone in between. Multiple award winners in family music Ben and his friends play an adventurous, high-energy blend of happy, upbeat acoustic music. Peppering their sets with award winning original songs and fan favorites such as "Jambalaya", "M.T.A.", "Here Comes the Sun", "San Antonio Rose," and "Route 66" has won fans of all ages. Come join us as Ben Rudnick and Friends make a return visit to the Library. *This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



McIver Lecture Series 2011

Needham's Path to 300

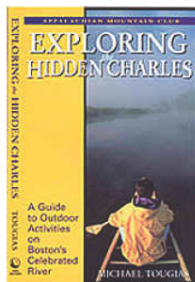
Author Michael Tougias - *Exploring The Hidden Charles* (A Charles River Chronicle)

Tues., October 26th 7:30 PM



There is much more to the Charles River than perspiring college kids sculling to the insistent chant of the coxswain. The Charles River is an integral part of the landscape in many towns and cities in Eastern Massachusetts. Michael Tougias has been

loving and exploring the Charles, all 80 miles of it, for more than 20 years now, finding secluded towns, coves, marshes, and woodlands of remarkable beauty along its banks. Come and learn more about the Charles River with Michael Tougias, author of Exploring the Hidden Charles. Join us for this first of three programs in this year's McIver Lecture Series. This Program is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.



Children's Movie: How to Train Your Dragon (Rated PG - 98 minutes)

Fri., October 29th

3:30 PM

Hiccup is a failure as a Viking: skinny, inquisitive, and inventive, he asks questions and tries out unsuccessful contraptions when he's supposed to be fighting the dragons that attack his village. His father, chief Stoick the Vast, has pretty much given up on his teenage son and apprenticed him to Blacksmith Gobber. Worse, Hiccup knows the village loser hasn't a chance of impressing Astrid, the girl of his dreams and a formidable dragon fighter in her own right. When one of Hiccup's inventions actually works, he hasn't the heart to kill the young dragon he's brought down. He names it Toothless and befriends it - but humans and dragons are supposed to be mortal enemies, not buddies, and this unlikely pair must overcome many obstacles and one ultimate challenge - to save both their worlds



On October 1st, we will be saying good-bye to our long-time Circulation Supervisor Cindy Crawford. Please join us in extending best wishes to her as she enters a new phase of life – Retirement (and Grandmotherhood)!

Thanks to the Friends of the Needham Public Library for providing financial assistance in the production of this Newsletter.