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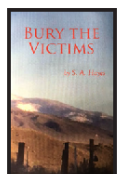
NEWSLETTER OF THE NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

FEBRUARY 2017

## Needham Author S. A. Hayes—*Bury the Victims*

Mon., February 6th

7:30 PM



*Bury the Victims* focuses on the many cultural, social, and political changes Native Tribes of the Pacific Northwest experienced as a result of the arrival of non-Native settlers who came to their territory. After non-Natives started permanent settlements with the support of the U. S. Cavalry and federal government Indian agents, the tribal people were forced to make many adaptations that violated many of their traditions. This book tells how those changes impacted some of the contemporary tribal people. The book will be available for purchase and autographing. This event is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

## Joy of Coloring For Adults

Thurs., February 9th

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## 2017 McIver Lecture Series Health and Wellness

### Type 2 Diabetes: Are Food Choices A Key to Prevention? With Dr. Qi Sun

Sun., February 12th

2:00 PM

In this presentation, Dr. Sun will provide an overview of the role of diet in the primary prevention of type 2 diabetes. He will present evidence from both human observational studies and clinical trials regarding food quality, healthful dietary patterns, and food ingredients in relation to diabetes prevention. Dr. Qi Sun, is a faculty member at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Harvard Medical School, and has focused a decade of research on understanding how diet and lifestyle, as well as environmental factors, influence the risk of excess weight gain and type 2 diabetes. The 2017 McIver Lecture Series is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.



## All Rise: A History of the Supreme Court with Dr. Gary Hylander

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## John Adams Portrayer George Baker: *My Wife, Abigail Adams, the First Modern American Woman*

Sun., February 26th

2:00 PM

John Adams (New Canaan, CT attorney, George Baker) talks with admiration, humor and affection about "*My Wife, Abigail Adams, the First Modern American Woman*." During the presentation, he describes how Abigail defied the sexist conventions of her time (married women could not own property) and, with her amazing financial skills and insights, made the Adams family prosperous. She helped found the new nation and raised their son to become president. This program is chock full of details about Abigail's life which most people don't even know. It is told from the perspective of a husband talking about his wife, and contains the story of their romance, challenges, trials and accomplishments which makes them sound like ordinary people living in extraordinary times. This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.



## Don't Forget: Needham's Art in Bloom



Sat., March 4th

9 AM – 5 PM

Sun., March 5th

1 – 5:00 PM

## Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Fridays

9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Saturdays

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays





1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**\* EXTENDED HOURS ON SUNDAY \***

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

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

## Children's Story Times in February

-  **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**  
**Tues., February 7, 21, 28** 10:00 AM  
 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.
-  **Babies & Books Up to One Year**  
**Tues., February 7, 21, 28** 11:00 AM  
 Babies and their adult caregivers enjoy songs, lap games, baby sign language, rhythm and sensory activities, with a story or two.
-  **Drop-In Child's Play for ages 0-2 years**  
**Wed., February 1, 8, 15, 22** 10:00 AM  
 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.
-  **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-6 years**  
**Mon., February 6, 13, 27** 10:00 AM  
 An interactive themed storytime with picture books, music and movement, followed by a craft (45 min.). Children who are ready, may attend independently. Caregivers are also welcome.

## Storytimes from Around the World

- Spanish Storytime for ages 2+**  
**Fri., February 3** 10:30 AM  
 This is a Drop-in program for preschoolers and is led by a teacher from the Pine Village School.
- Chinese Storytime for ages 5 and under**  
**Sat., February 4** 9:30 AM  
 This is a Drop-in program for ages 5 and under and is led by a group of Chinese-speaking mothers. The program consists of 45 minutes of reading, followed by a simple craft.



## **LEGO Time! Needham Free Public Library's BLOCK PARTY! for ages 5+**

**Tues., February 21** 4:00 - 5:00 PM



## Valentine Cookie Decorating for Ages 6+



**Tues., February 14** 3:30 PM

## Children's Programs in February

**Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5\*\***  
**Wed., February 1** 11:00 AM  
 Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. **\*\*Registration is required, beginning two weeks prior to the start of the program.**



## Sing-Along with Ed Morgan



**Fri., February 10** 3:00 PM  
**Thurs., February 16** 10:30 AM  
 For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program—please arrive on time.

## Music with Sarah for ages 5 and under



**Tues., Feb. 14 (ages 2-5)** 10:00 AM  
**Tues., Feb. 14 (ages 2 and under)** 11:00 AM  
**Fri., Feb. 24 (ages 2-5)** 10:00 AM  
**Fri., Feb. 24 (ages 2 and under)** 11:00 AM

Join Sarah Gardner and bring your little ones to play instruments, sing & dance along. Become part of our little library band!

Funding for Music Enrichment Programs provided by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.



## Valentine Crafts for ages 2+ years

**Thurs., February 9** 10:30 - 11:30 AM

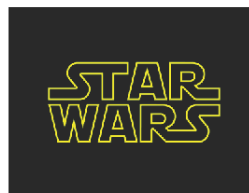
## Yoga for Children ages 5-9



**Sat., February 25** 10:30 AM

## STAR WARS SYMPOSIUM

**Sat., February 18** 2:30-4:30 PM



Peter Struzziero will transport children ages 5 and up to a galaxy far, far away with a huge museum of Star Wars artifacts and toys, posters from the Star Wars movies, a presentation on the history of Star Wars, a trivia contest, and a costume contest. Come dressed as your favorite character for this drop in 2 hour event. May the Force be with you. Sponsored by the *Library Foundation of Needham*.



## February Programs

### Doodler Workshop with Kevin Osborn—for Children Ages 7 and up

Sat., February 4

2:30 PM



Children will learn the proper operation of the 3D Doodler. They will learn about doodling surfaces, using stencils and designing their own creations. Children will work two to a Doodler to make a creation to take home. This is a two hour workshop from 2:30-4:30. A 3D Doodler pen is regularly available in the Children's STEAM Powered Creation Station.

Kevin Osborn is a 30+ year veteran of the computer industry. He has created Video Games through Enterprise Software, and Assembly language through security architecture of the Java Enterprise Platform. He is currently an independent consultant doing software development, electronics/product prototyping and Maker workshops. **Registration is required and is limited. Register starting January 21st by calling or visiting the Children's Desk. Part of a year long series of STEM programs, sponsored by a federal LSTA grant.**

### Let's Build: Engineering for Real People Using Regular Stuff for Ages 6-8

**\*\*Registration Required\*\***

Mon., February 6, 13

4:30 PM

Can you move a can across the floor without touching it? Can you hold books off the ground using only paper and tape? Come put your engineering ideas to work! In *Let's Build: Engineering for Real People Using Regular Stuff*, we'll have 4 engineering design challenges over 4 classes. Each challenge asks children to solve real problems with things found around the house. Come build with *Let's Build* at the Needham Public Library! **\*\*Registration required. Part of a year long series of STEM programs, sponsored by a federal LSTA grant.\*\***



### Early Childhood Science Enrichment for Children ages 3-5\*\*



Thurs., February 23

11:00 AM

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Steve Lechner of *The SCIENCE WORKS!* introduces children to the wonders of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) using hands-on activities, puppets, a bit of magic and lots of fun. **\*\*Registration is required.\*\* Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.**

### Living with Robots in the 21st Century with Michael A. Marks, Chief Robotist and Robot Wrangler at TSC Robotics.

Sat., February 25

2:30 PM

What is a robot? Where are robots used today? What are some types of robots? How do robots work? What is the field of robotics? Is there a robot in your future? In this introductory program, participants ages 8 and up will hear a presentation that answers some of these questions and experience hands-on demonstrations of different types of robots from very simple ones up to a sophisticated humanoid type. **Participants must register as space is limited. Part of a year long series of STEM programs, sponsored by a federal LSTA grant.**



### Coming Soon! Robotics Workshops! Dates TBA



Nick Tartar from OLIN College will offer a series of 4 workshops on robotics. Children ages 8 & 9 will learn programming and complete challenges using Dot and Dash robots. Children ages 10 and up will build and program a LEGO's Mindstorm EV3 robot. Registration is required and is limited. To register, call or visit the Children's Desk.



## Children's Programs in February



### Take Your Child to the Library Day—February 4 (9 AM - 5 PM)

*Take Your Child to the Library Day* is an international initiative that encourages families everywhere to take their children to their local library. Launched in 2011 in Connecticut, *Take Your Child to the Library Day* raises community awareness about the importance of the library in the life of a child, and promotes library services and programs for children and families. This year the Needham Free Public Library will offer a book display of Children's books about libraries, library themed coloring pages, color your own bookmarks and "Starring Your Favorite Book" star tags. Children will be able to write the title of their favorite book on a star to be displayed. These activities will be ongoing all day. The STEAM Center, with Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math activities and kits, will be open throughout the day with the exception of 2:30-4:30 PM, when Makerspace guru Kevin Osborn will provide a 3D Doodler workshop for children ages 8 and up. **Registration is required for the workshop.**

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## Trevor the Juggler

Wed., February 22nd

2:30 PM

Trevor's interactive juggling show combines visually spectacular, award-winning juggling, and hilarious antics with a message of self-empowerment. Be amazed as Trevor juggles clubs, rings, balls, chickens, boxes, hats, and audience-suggested objects to boot. He might even juggle boots! Marvel as volunteers from the audience wind up performing impressive feats on stage with Trevor. Fun for the whole family! This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.



## Children's Movie: The BFG (Rated PG, 117 min)

Fri., February 24th

2:00 PM



The BFG is a Big Friendly Giant and nothing like the other inhabitants of Giant Country. Upon her arrival in Giant Country, Sophie, a precocious 10-year-old girl, is initially frightened of the mysterious giant but soon comes to realize that he is quite gentle and charming. Having both been on their own in the world up until now, their affection for one another quickly grows, but Sophie's presence in Giant Country attracts the unwanted attention of the other giants. Sophie and the BFG soon depart for London to see Queen Victoria and warn her of the precarious giant situation and devise a plan to get rid of the giants once and for all. This event is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

## Teen Programs in February

### Teen Crafternoon—Spool Knitting Adventure

Mon., February 6th

4:00 PM

Thurs., February 9th

7:00 PM



Looking to stay warm this winter, but don't want to spend any money on scarves? Why not come and make your own? Tweens and Teens are invited to join us in the Young Adult Room (Community Room for Thursday night event) for an hour to French Knit Scarves (aka loom knitting)—no knitting experience required. As always, materials, snacks, and enjoyment provided!

### Pokémon League



Saturdays 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Come and meet people who are interested in the Pokémon Card Game. Exchange cards and build up your decks! This will occur in the Young Adult Room on the second floor, and is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

This Month in the Friends' Gallery

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## February Book Discussions

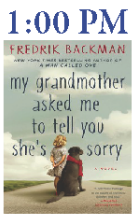
### NPL Book Group

Tuesday, February 14th

*My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry*

by Fredrik Backman

Elsa is seven years old and different. Her grandmother is seventy-seven years old and crazy—as in standing-on-the-balcony-firing-paintball-guns-at-strangers crazy. She is also Elsa's best, and only, friend. At night Elsa takes refuge in her grandmother's stories, in the Land-of-Almost-Awake and the Kingdom of Miamas, where everybody is different and nobody needs to be normal. When Elsa's grandmother dies and leaves behind a series of letters apologizing to people she has wronged, Elsa's greatest adventure begins. Her grandmother's instructions not only lead her to an apartment building full of drunks, monsters, attack dogs, and old crones but also to the truth about fairy tales and kingdoms and a grandmother like no other. \*March 14, 2017—Delicious! by Ruth Reichl\*



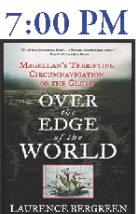
### NPL Evening Book Club

Wednesday, February 22nd

*Over the Edge of the World*

by Laurence Bergreen

The astonishing tale of the first sea voyage to circumnavigate the entire globe. Magellan's dramatic maritime expedition in 1519 discovered the straits that enabled Europe to trade with the Eastern spice islands and changed the course of history. In an era of intense commercial rivalry between Spain and Portugal, Ferdinand Magellan, a Portuguese navigator sailed to explore the undiscovered parts of the world and claim them for the Spanish crown in one of the largest and best-equipped expeditions ever mounted in the Age of Discovery. Yet of the fleet of five vessels under his command, only Victoria was to return to Spain after three harrowing years, her captain murdered, more than two hundred of her sailors dead from scurvy, torture, execution and drowning, and a small, ravaged crew that survived to tell the extraordinarily dramatic story. \*March 15, 2017—A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman\*

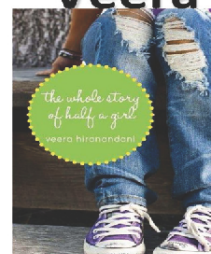


Skype with

**Veera Hiranandani**

Saturday, February 11th

3:15-4:15 PM



- ✓ Read the book
- ✓ Discuss it with other kids
- ✓ Skype Q&A with the author
- ✓ Participate in book-themed activities
- ✓ Enjoy yummy snacks!

\*This is part of the monthly meeting for Hookventures, a book club for 3rd-5th grade children! There will be a new book selection each month. Registration is requested.

## Upcoming Events...

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### A Young Person's Concert With the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra

Sat., March 11th

11:00 AM

Musicians from the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra will introduce you and your children to the insides of an orchestra. See and hear: strings, winds, brass and percussion!



Listen to a string quartet and learn about the instruments. Learn about melody, counter-melody, and other concepts that make music interesting. This family-friendly introduction to music is free and open to all ages. Sponsored by the *Needham Free Public Library.*

### Author/Artist Ruth Sanderson

Sat., March 11

2:00 PM



Author/Artist Ruth Sanderson will talk about her latest project, an illustrated edition of George MacDonald's *The Golden Key*. The illustrations from the book will be on display this March in the Friends Gallery. Books will be available for purchase following the event. Sponsored by the *Needham Free Public Library.*

### 2017 McIver Lecture Series Health and Wellness

#### Natalie Shelton-May, of Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers for the Disabled

Sun., March 12th

2:00 PM

Join Natalie Shelton-May, a Placement Trainer and Manager at Helping Hands, to learn about Helping Hands' Capuchin monkeys: how they are trained, the tasks they perform, the benefits of the human/service-monkey bond, and how these small creatures make a big difference in people's lives. Helping Hands is a unique nonprofit that raises and trains capuchin monkeys to provide daily, in-home assistance to people living with spinal cord injury or other mobility impairment. The 2017 McIver Lecture Series is sponsored by the Trustees of the *Needham Free Public Library.*



### iPads for the Absolute Beginner\*\*



Did you get an iPad for the holidays and have no clue how to use it? Do you want to learn how to download and use apps? Learn that and much more at the library's 4-lesson iPad class that will help you become comfortable using your iPad everyday. \*\*Registration begins February 27th. Registration is required and limited to **6** participants. Please sign up at Adult Reference. Must bring own iPad. \*\*

Level 1: Thurs., March 16th

3-4:30 PM

Level 2: Thurs., March 23rd

3-4:30 PM

Level 3: Thurs., March 30th

3-4:30 PM

Level 4: Thurs., April 6th

3-4:30 PM

### Two Old Friends

Sun., March 19th

2:30 PM

*Two Old Friends, Jim Prendergast and Emery Hutchins, are musicians who play and sing a unique combination of Celtic and American country music, and in their performances seek to show the connection between the two genres. Emery is a well known performer of a variety of different styles of acoustic music; ranging from traditional Irish tunes to vintage American country music songs. Jim worked for thirty years in the recording studios and orchestra pits of Nashville TN. Jim now resides in NH and is an active participant in New England's thriving Celtic/Folk music scene. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



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