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LIBRARY NOTES

January 2016

2016 McIver Series

Tomorrow's Technology Today: 21st Century Medical Innovation with Dr. Jeffrey M. Karp

Sun., January 10th

2:00 PM



Join Dr. Jeffrey M. Karp, as he explores multiple next-generation, bio-inspired technologies that he is currently translating into medical products to improve the life of suffering patients.

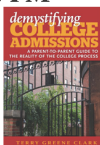
Topics to be presented include such things as minimally invasive sealing of tissues and wounds, as well as engineered stem cell therapy treatment of diseases such as multiple sclerosis and prostate cancer to name just a few. Dr. Karp is the Director of The Laboratory for Accelerated Medical Innovation and an Associate Professor of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital Harvard Medical School. This is the first of three programs sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library in honor of former library director Vivian D. McIver.

Terry Greene Clark: *demystifying COLLEGE ADMISSIONS: A Parent-To-Parent Guide to the Reality of the College Process*

Tues., January 12th

7:30 PM

While many books provide parents with information about college admissions, few anticipate their questions and provide honest answers to the reality of the process based upon research AND the personal experience of launching 3 very distinct and unique teenagers in the last five years. *demystifying COLLEGE ADMISSIONS* will offer parents a simple guide, practical advice and real world experience, bringing together all the information you need to know about the college matriculation process, from freshman year in high school to acceptance into college. This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.



NATURE TALKS: The Locavore Lives Here—Needham's Farmhouse Restaurant

Thurs., January 14th

7:00 PM



Join Dora Tavel-Sanchez Luz, co-owner of Needham's The Farmhouse Restaurant, as she offers insight into its ever-changing menu, with emphasis on fresh and locally available produce, meats, wines, and cheeses. Samples of some of her creations will be available after her talk. This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Presidential Elections with Dr. Gary Hylander

Tues., January 19th

7:30 PM

Lecture One: "Hail To The Chief"—The Creation Of The American Presidency



The Constitutional Convention of 1787 was in the words of Connecticut Governor Samuel Huntington a "new event" in human history. In the midst of this "new event," nothing was newer than the creation of the office of the President and the Electoral College. Unanimously elected the nation's first president, Washington was well aware of his unique position. "I walk," he wrote, "on untrodden ground."

In this important presidential election year, please join us as we review five critical presidential elections. This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Frozen's Elsa Story Time and Photo Op

Sat., January 23rd

10:30 AM

Elsa from Disney's Frozen will read stories, lead a participatory dance party/singalong, and be available for photo opportunities at the end of the event. This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.



A History of the Oscars with Frank Mandosa

Sun., January 24th

2:00 PM



Come to a fun-filled afternoon of trivia questions based on current and previous nominees and winners of the Academy Awards, with some history of the award itself, and clips of memorable Oscar moments. There will also be a free raffle occurring throughout the presentation for small-scale movie-themed prizes, so hold on to your ticket (available at the presentation). This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

FRIENDS' WINTER BOOKSALE



Saturday, January 30th

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, January 31st


1:00 - 4:00 PM


Sunday is Bargain Day: all items are half-price and a brown bag is \$8.00.


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


Children's Story Times in January


 **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**
Tues., January 5, 19, 26 10:00 AM


 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.

 **Babies & Books for Pre-walkers Under One**
Tues., January 5, 19, 26 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., January 6, 13, 20, 27 10:00 AM

 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.

 **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-4 years**
Mon., January 4, 11, 25 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.

Spanish Preschool Storyhour

Fri., January 15 10:30 AM

This is a Drop-in program for preschoolers and is led by a teacher from the Pine Village School.



Crafts for ages 2-6 years

Thurs., January 28 10:30 - 11:30 AM

Crafts for Ages 6+

Thurs., January 28 4:00 - 5:00 PM



FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING

Sat., January 16 10:00-11:30 AM



Families are invited to the Children's Room where together they can explore an arts/crafts project, work on a construction assignment and play games that enhance literacy, logic or math skills. All ages are welcome. This will be an ongoing event on the third Saturday of every month from 10-11:30 AM.

Children's Programs in January

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



Wed., January 6 11:00 AM

Mon., January 25 3:30 PM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. ****Registration is required, beginning one week prior to the start of the program. One session per month only please.**

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan



Fri., January 8 3:00 PM

Thurs., January 21 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 3-5



Tues., January 12 10:30 AM

Fri., January 22 10:30 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.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog for ages 3-6**



Fri., January 29 10:00 AM

Storytime with Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog.

****Registration required, starting one week before event. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.**

LEGO Time! Needham Free Public Library's BLOCK PARTY!



Tues., January 12 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Fun Flicks for 2-5 year olds



Thurs., January 14 11:00 AM

Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.



Children's Movie: Shaun the Sheep Movie (Rated PG, 84 min.)

Fri., January 22nd

3:30 PM

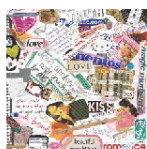
Shaun is a sheep of a different kind. A fun-loving type who is not known for going along with the flock, Shaun finds out that the grass isn't always greener on the other side of the fence, after his decision to take the day off leads to lots of trouble on and off the farm. What happens as a result of this care-free attitude leads Shaun and the rest of the flock into the Big City. Once there all embark on a quest, focused on finding the farmer who left home due to Shaun's trouble-making, and ultimately getting everyone safely back to the pasture.



Tween Crafternoon—New Year! New You!

Mon., January 4th

4:00 PM



Create a collage representing your New Year's resolutions! Make your own unique hanging collage from magazines, books, and paper to remind you of your goals in the New Year!

This is a Drop-In program for ages 10-14 and will occur in the Children's Room Craft Room.

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.

For The Love of Food: A Cookbook Club for Foodies

Mon., January 4

7:00 PM

Enjoy a new nighttime cook book club with books and food as a central focus.

This Month's Topic: Knife skills instruction by Todd Heberlein of Volante Farms.

Please bring a cutting board and a chef knife that you use at home. Each person should bring in an onion, a carrot, some parsley, and a bell pepper for training purposes.

Next Meeting: March 28, 2016



This Month in the Friends' Gallery

Silvina Mizrahi
Internal Topographies

January Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, January 12th

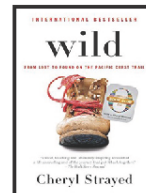
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Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail

by Cheryl Strayed

*At twenty-two, Cheryl Strayed thought she had lost everything. In the wake of her mother's death, her family scattered and her own marriage was soon destroyed. Four years later, with nothing more to lose, she made the most impulsive decision of her life. With no experience or training, driven only by blind will, she would hike more than a thousand miles of the Pacific Crest Trail from the Mojave Desert through California and Oregon to Washington State—and she would do it alone. Told with suspense and style, sparkling with warmth and humor, *Wild* powerfully captures the terrors and pleasures of one young woman forging ahead against all odds on a journey that maddened, strengthened, and ultimately healed her.*

*February 9, 2016 Book—*Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf*



NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, January 20th

7:00 PM

Let's Pretend This Never Happened

by Jenny Lawson

When Jenny Lawson was little, all she ever wanted was to fit in. That dream was cut short by her fantastically unbalanced father and a morbidly eccentric childhood. It did, however, open up an opportunity for Lawson to find the humor in the strange shame-spiral that is her life, and we are all the better for it.

*In the irreverent *Let's Pretend This Never Happened*, Lawson's long-suffering husband and sweet daughter help her uncover the surprising discovery that the most terribly human moments—the ones we want to pretend never happened—are the very same moments that make us the people we are today. For all intellectual misfits who thought they were the only ones to think the things that Lawson dares to say out loud, this is a poignant and hysterical look at the dark, disturbing, yet wonderful moments of our lives.*

*February 24, 2016—*The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck*



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 - 5:00 pm

Upcoming Events...

2016 McIver Series

Tomorrow's Technology Today—Flying High: Drones In Our Midst

Sun., February 7th

2:00 PM



Join Professor Andrew Bennett of Needham's Olin College of Engineering as he explores the civilian uses of drones. One use of drones is in firefighting. Drones can be used to fly over fires, pinpoint the edges, establish how quickly the flames are moving, and where they are spreading to. All this information helps in determining where the firefighters can safely be placed in order to

fight the fire.

Professor Bennett is an associate professor of mechanical engineering and teaches courses in robotics and systems design. He has more than 25 years of R&D experience developing novel robot systems for land, water and air use. Currently he is investigating autonomous systems for long-term remote deployment and sample collection in harsh environments. **This is the second of three programs sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library in honor of former library director Vivian D. McIver.**

(Snow Date: February 28th @ 2:00 PM)

Jungle Jim's Star Wars Jedi Knight Training

Fri., February 19th

10:30 AM



Jungle Jim (aka Jedi Knight) offers Star Wars fans a chance to interact with a real Jedi Knight. Ideal for ages 4 – 9, this interactive performance is great for both boys and girls! He will lead the children through a series of challenges including Jedi Force Magic, the Laser Balloon Barrage and Jedi Teamwork culminating in an epic lightsaber duel with the Jedi Master himself. **This Event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.**

Children's Movie: Hotel Transylvania 2 (Rated PG, 89 Minutes)

Fri., February 26th

3:30 PM

All the comical characters are reunited when cave dwelling Grandpa Vlad comes for an impromptu family visit. Understanding the generation gap has never been more challenging for Mavis and Jonathan than when Grandpa Vlad turns Hotel Transylvania upside-down with his old-school way of thinking. The loveable crotchety old-timer and his estranged son, Dracula, learn to resolve their differences through haphazard adventures, secret twists and turns, and a lot of goofy mistakes. This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.



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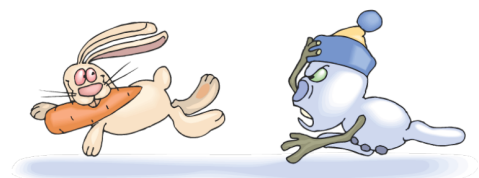
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Lecture Two: Election of 1800

The "Revolution of 1800" is how Thomas Jefferson described his election to the presidency in 1800. It was the first peaceful transition of power from one party to another. It established a precedent that continues to the present.



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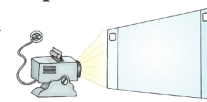


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Recent Service and Equipment Upgrades



The Library Trustees and library staff wish to thank both the Friends of the Needham Public Library and the Library Foundation of Needham for their generous donations that made possible the library's recent wireless upgrade and expansion and the Community Room audiovisual upgrade. Wireless service is now stable and available in every area of the library. The Community Room audiovisual components are now state-of-the-art and functioning well. Thank you Friends and Foundation for enriching everyone's audio and visual experiences.




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