Paulette Morin: Fun with Science - Having Fun with Fossils and Dinosaurs
Tues., July 9th  3:00 PM
Dressed for Digging and protected by a pith helmet, intrepid fossil hunter Paulette Morin introduces students to the wonders of our prehistoric past and dinosaurs. The presentation touches on the who, what, where and when of dinosaurs and includes storytelling, information on how to find fossils, and more than 100 fossils for children to examine. Ms. Morin’s enthusiasm for dinosaurs and fossil hunting is inspiring the next generation of young scientists to see what wonders lurk beneath the soil and in the rock ledges of our region. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library, in support of this summer’s Digging into Reading Summer Reading Clubs.

Davey the Clown
Tues., August 6th  7:00 PM
Rescheduled from earlier this summer is Davey the Clown. Davey the Clown is a physical comedian, juggler, unicyclist and accordionist. Davey’s show is big and funny—the perfect family entertainment. It contains silly juggling, amazing magic, incredible unicycling, wacky antics, beautiful and rousing accordion music, balloon sculpture, tons of audience participation, and a rubber chicken! Best of all, KIDS LOVE DAVEY (and adults, will too!). This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library, in support of this summer’s Digging into Reading Summer Reading Clubs.

Ben Rudnick & Friends
Tues., July 23rd  7:00 PM
Ben Rudnick & Friends play the hippest family music around. With countless awards to their credit, including FIVE Parent’s Choice awards, their adventurous, high-energy blend of happy, upbeat acoustic music is guaranteed to entertain the entire family. Bending musical styles from country to bluegrass, rock to second-line New Orleans, their original songs and fun takes on familiar tunes that will make you sing, make you dance and make you happy. Join the fun! This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library, in support of this summer’s Digging into Reading Summer Reading Clubs.

Magic & Beyond with Magician David Garrity
Tues., August 20th  7:00 PM
Magic & Beyond is a one-man illusion show that features unique, theatrical and visual magic, audience participation, comedy and a custom-edited musical soundtrack. In this performance, you may see a table mysteriously float, objects that appear and disappear in the blink of an eye and witness a Houdini-style Escape Challenge! You will never forget this unique theatrical entertainment experience! This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library, in support of this summer’s Digging into Reading Summer Reading Clubs.

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.
What’s happening this Summer in the Children’s Room

Children’s Programs in July/August

Drop-in Storytimes for ages 5 and under
- Wed., July 3, 24  10:00 AM
- Wed., July 3, 24  11:00 AM
- Tues., July 9, 23, 30  10:30 AM
- Fri., July 19  10:30 AM
- Wed., August 7, 14, 21, 28  10:00 AM
- Wed., August 7, 14, 21, 28  11:00 AM

Stories, music, movement and more. **Storytimes are drop-in—no registration required. All children must be accompanied by an adult.**

Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5**
- Tues., August 6  11:00 AM
- Tues., August 20  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.**

Sing-Alongs with Ed Morgan
- Fri., July 12  3:00 PM
- Fri., July 26  10:30 AM
- Fri., August 9  3:00 PM
- Fri., August 30  10:30 AM

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

Children’s Craft Programs in July/August

Drop-In “Patriotic” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Mon., July 1  4:00 PM
- Tues., July 2  4:00 PM

Drop-In “Digging in the Earth” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Mon., July 8  4:00 PM
- Wed., July 10  4:00 PM

Drop-In “Dinosaur Digs” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Thur., July 11  10:30 AM
- Tues., July 16  10:30 AM

Drop-In “Underground Animals” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Mon., July 22  4:00 PM
- Wed., July 24  4:00 PM

Drop-In “Fairies and Friends” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Tues., July 30  4:00 PM

Drop-In “Buried Treasure” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Tues., August 6  4:00 PM
- Wed., August 7  4:00 PM

Drop-In “Big DIGS” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Tues., August 13  10:30 AM
- Tues., August 13  4:00 PM
- Wed., August 14  4:00 PM

Drop-In “End of the Summer” Crafts for ages 2-7
- Tues., August 27  4:00 PM
- Thurs., August 29  10:30 AM

All Drop-In Craft Programs feature three crafts that are related to the theme. There will be 25 of each craft, so be sure to come early for first choice.

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

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog: for ages 3 and up**
- Thurs., August 1  10:00 AM

Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes for a great program that encourages children to read! **Registration required. Begins one week prior to program. **Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Needham Library Visits the Farmer’s Market @ First Parish Church
- Sun., July 21  1:00 - 4:00 PM

Seed Packets & Surprises await at our table....
Beneath the Ground
Summer Film Festival 2013
(all films begin at 2:00 PM)

July 5th  The Goonies
(Rated PG - 114 min)

July 19th  Arthur and the Invisibles
(Rated PG - 94 min)

August 2th  The Secret of NIMH
(Rated G - 82 min)

August 16th  J.R.R. Tolkien’s The Hobbit
(Animated - 77 min)

Summer Reading Clubs
Big into Reading  @ your Library
The Needham Free Public Library’s program runs through Friday, August 23, 2013. The last day to register is Friday, August 2. We have two Clubs—Read to Me (ages 3-6) and Independent Readers (Grades K-6).

You can sign-up in the Children’s Room OR register and maintain your log online: http://readsinma.org/needham.

This Month in the Friends’ Gallery
Photographers Drew Hyman & Jennifer Nourse Rodman
Inspirational Families of Needham...Past and Present

Library Hours:
Mon. - Thurs.  9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays  9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays  9:00am - 5:00pm

Toddler Movies
Thurs., July 18, 25  11:00 AM
Thurs., August 8, 22  11:00 AM
Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

Teddy Bear Storytime (ages 5 and under)
Wed., July 10  10:30 AM
Bring your favorite Teddy (or favorite “stuffy”) to this special storytime all about Bears. This event will be held in the Community Room.

Young Explorers — “Digging for Dinosaurs”
- Ages 4-7**
Tues., July 16  4:00 PM
Young Explorers is a hands-on Science-Based program for children ages 4-7.
**Please sign up beginning one week in advance, by phone or in person.

Young Explorers — “Underground Creatures”
- Ages 4-7**
Tues., July 23  4:00 PM
Young Explorers is a hands-on Science-Based program for children ages 4-7.
**Please sign up beginning one week in advance, by phone or in person.

“Dancing with the (Little) Stars” —
A Mostly Movement Storytime - for ages 5 and under
Weds., July 31  10:30 AM
Thur., August 15  10:30 AM
Stars are dancing all over! Join us for a Mostly Movement, Toe Tapping Storytime. This event will be held in the Community Room.

Drop-In Family Board Games - Ages 3+
Mon., August 5, 12  4:30-5:30 PM
Join us for a hour of Family Fun playing a variety of Board Games!
Upcoming Events...

September Book Discussions

NPL Book Group
Tuesday, September 10th
Wolf Hall
by Hilary Mantel

England in the 1520s is a heartbeat from disaster. If the king dies without a male heir, the country could be destroyed by civil war. Henry VIII wants to annul his marriage of twenty years, and marry Anne Boleyn. The pope and most of Europe opposes him. The quest for the king’s freedom destroys his adviser, the brilliant Cardinal Wolsey, and leaves a power vacuum.

Into this impasse steps Thomas Cromwell. Cromwell is a wholly original man, a charmer and a bully, both idealist and opportunist, astute in reading people and a demon of energy: he is also a consummate politician, hardened by his personal losses, implacable in his ambition. But Henry is volatile: one day tender, one day murderous. Cromwell helps him break the opposition, but what will be the price of his triumph?

*October 8, 2013 Book: A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini*

NPL Evening Book Group
Wednesday, September 18th
The Dovekeepers
by Alice Hoffman

In 70 C.E., nine hundred Jews held out for months against armies of Romans on Masada, a mountain in the Judean desert. According to the ancient historian Josephus, two women and five children survived.

Based on this tragic and iconic event, Hoffman’s novel is a spellbinding tale of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful, and sensuous women, each of whom has come to Masada by a different path. Yael’s mother died in childbirth, and her father, an expert assassin, never forgave her for that death. Revka, a village baker’s wife, watched the horrifically brutal murder of her daughter by Roman soldiers; she brings to Masada her young grandsons, rendered mute by what they have witnessed. Aziza is a warrior’s daughter, raised as a boy, a fearless rider and an expert marksman who finds passion with a fellow soldier. Shirah, born in Alexandria, is wise in the ways of ancient magic and medicine, a woman with uncanny insight and power.

The lives of these four complex and fiercely independent women intersect in the desperate days of the siege. All are dovekeepers, and all are also keeping secrets—about who they are, where they come from, who fathered them, and whom they love.

*October 16, 2013 Book: Night by Elie Wiesel*

TEACHING TECH TIPS for SENIORS

This program will feature high school students offering their expertise with IPADS, tablets, and cell phones to the seniors of Needham.

How it works...
- Seniors who wish to enroll will be asked to come to the Library anytime on Wednesday, July 17th, from 10:00 AM - 12:00 noon, and gather outside of the Young Adult area for a short focus group meeting.
- After a brief discussion to ascertain the needs of the seniors, and the completion of a very brief questionnaire, a schedule will be made available, denoting the dates and times specific to the Tech Topics to be offered.
- The program will run on three consecutive Wednesdays this summer: July 24th, July 31st, and August 7th from 9:30 AM - 12:00 noon.
- Attendance at more than one session is encouraged, although first time participants wishing to attend may be given scheduling opportunity preference.

If you are a senior who wishes to participate in the Teaching Tech Tips for seniors but cannot attend the Wednesday, July 17th focus group, or if you have questions, please contact Dana Mastroianni at dimastroianni@minlib.net or 781-455-7559 ext. 203 for details. Program sponsored by The Needham Free Public Library in conjunction with the Needham Senior High School.

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