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LIBRARY NOTES

June 2015

Nature Talks: Going to Pots—Outdoor Container Gardening with Betty Sanders

Mon., June 8th 7:00 PM



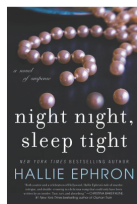
In a one-hour discussion-demonstration, **Going to Pots** offers creative and practical ideas for the coming growing season, with Master Gardener Betty Sanders assembling five unique container gardens using annuals, perennials and herbs. All gardeners and wish-to-be gardeners will find something new, **and a few lucky audience members will have a chance to leave with one of her planters.**

A former director of the *Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts*, Ms. Sanders brings broad experience to this discussion of container gardening technique. Her own Medfield garden has been on many tour schedules, and she has lectured at numerous garden shows, garden clubs, and libraries. She strives for color, beauty, fragrance, and texture as elements in planning the most distinctive arrangements. **This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.**

Inspired by Hollywood and Hitchcock: Author Hallie Ephron

Wed., June 10th 7:30 PM

Bestselling author Hallie Ephron talks about growing up in a Hollywood family with screenwriters for parents and three talented sisters who are all accomplished writers. She talks about how the Ephron girls were groomed to write, and how real family drama, history, and a love of Hitchcock movies fuel her suspense novels—including her newest, *NIGHT NIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT*. Books will be available for purchase and autographing following the presentation. **This event will be preceded by the Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Needham Library, who are the sponsors of this program.**



The Greg and Axel Show

Mon., June 29th

4:00 PM

The Greg & Axel Show is a totally unique entertainment experience that provides magic, comedy, audience participation and one hilarious dog. You will fall in love with Axel as he helps Greg the Magician amaze the audience...he might even cause a little bit of trouble! Please join us as we kick-off this summer's **Every Hero Has A Story** Summer Reading Club, which begins on this date. This program is for ages 4+ and is **sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.**



Summer 2015 Super Heroes Film Festival

June 26

ASTRO BOY
Rated PG - 100 min.



July 17

SKY HIGH
Rated PG - 100 min.



July 24

**GREEN LANTERN:
EMERALD NIGHTS**
Rated PG - 84 min.



July 31

SUPER BUDDIES
Rated G - 81 min.



August 7

**ZOOM: ACADEMY
FOR SUPERHEROES**
Rated PG - 83 min.



August 28

**CAPTAIN AMERICA:
THE FIRST AVENGER**
Rated PG - 124 min.








**All movies are on Fridays and start at
2:00 PM.**

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

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

Children's Story Times in June

-  **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**
Tues., June 9, 16, 30 11:00 AM
Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.
-  **Babies & Books for Pre-walkers Birth to 11 months**
Tues., June 16, 30 11:00 AM
Babies and their adult caregivers enjoy songs, lap games, baby sign language, rhythm and sensory activities, with a story or two (20 min.).
-  **Drop-In Child's Play for ages 0-2 years**
Wed., June 3, 10, 17, 24 10:00 AM
Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.
-  **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-4 years**
Wed., June 3, 10, 17, 24 11:00 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.
-  **Elementary, My Dear Readers**
Fri., June 5, 19, 26 4:00 PM
An interactive themed storytime with picture books, songs, creative games and a craft (1 hr.). Children ages 5-7 may attend independently. Please be aware that the Caregiver must remain in building.

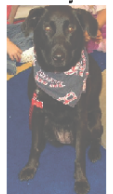


Fun Flicks for 2-5 year olds



Thurs., June 11, 25 10:30 AM
Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog for ages 5 and up**



Wed., June 24 4:00 PM
Children may practice reading privately to Lucy for 10 minutes each. ****Registration required.** Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Children's Programs in June

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



Mon., June 1 10:30 AM
Mon., June 15 10:30 AM

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., June 12 3:00 PM
Thurs., June 18 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., June 23 10:30 AM

Join Sarah Gardner and bring your little ones to play instruments, sing & dance along. Become part of our little library band! This event will occur in the Community Room.

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

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

Due to space limitations, the program is limited to 24 children, ages 6+.



Tuesday, June 23 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Sign-up for program begins one week before the event. You can sign up by phone or in person.



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.

EVERY HERO HAS A STORY



Children from birth to those entering 6th Grade in the fall are invited to register for the Needham Free Public Library's Summer Reading Program – Every Hero Has a

Story. Registration is going on now through August 1st. To register, visit the desk in the Children's Room, call 781-455-7559 or sign up online at <http://iread.evanced.info/needham/sr/homepage.asp>. Events begin on June 29th and run through August 10th.

The Read-To-Me program is for infants and young children. The Independent Readers program is for children who are able to read on their own. Time spent reading aloud to a child or time that a child spends reading is recorded on a paper log or online.

Children receive a prize for signing up and a free toy prize for the first 20 minutes they spend reading. Every child who completes the program by reading or being read to for at least 16 hours over the summer will receive a toy prize and a free book. Children who are registered for Summer Reading may also enter their name for a chance to win a grand prize for each time they attend a library program and each time they record their reading minutes. Grand Prizes will be awarded by random drawing on August 10th.

The Children's Department will offer events for children of every age including storytimes, craft programs, performances by magicians, musicians, jugglers and more all summer long. New this summer will be a series of programs designed specifically for tweens ages 10-12 years old. Register now and join the fun.

For The Love of Food:

A Cookbook Club for Foodies

Monday, June 22nd

7:00 PM

Enjoy a new quarterly, Monday night cook book club with books and food as a central focus. Topics include sauces, favorite recipes, cooking techniques, celebrity chefs and more.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2015



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

June Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

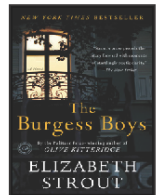
Tuesday, June 9th

1:00 PM

The Burgess Boys

by Elizabeth Strout

Haunted by the freak accident that killed their father when they were children, Jim and Bob Burgess escaped from their Maine hometown of Shirley Falls for New York City as soon as they possibly could. Jim, a sleek, successful corporate lawyer, has belittled his bighearted brother their whole lives. Bob, a Legal Aid attorney, idolizes Jim and has always taken it in stride. But their long-standing dynamic is upended when their sister, Susan, urgently calls them home. Susan's teenage son, Zach, has gotten himself into a world of trouble and she desperately needs their help. And so the Burgess brothers return to the landscape of their childhood. Long-buried tensions that have shaped and shadowed their relationships begin to surface in unexpected ways that will change them forever. *September 8, 2015—*Euphoria* by Lily King*



NPL Evening Book Group

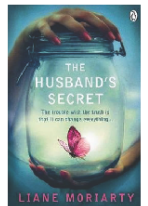
Wednesday, June 17th

7:00 PM

The Husband's Secret

by Liane Moriarty

Cecilia Fitzpatrick lives to be perfect: a perfect marriage, three perfect daughters, and a perfectly organized life. Then she finds a letter from her husband, John-Paul, to be opened only in the event of his death. She opens it anyway, and everything she believed is thrown into doubt. Meanwhile, Tess O'Leary's husband, Will, and her cousin and best friend, Felicity, confess they've fallen in love, so Tess takes her young son, Liam, and goes to Sydney to live with her mother. There she meets up with an old boyfriend, Connor Whitby, while enrolling Liam in St. Angela's Primary School, where Cecilia is the star mother. Rachel Crowley, the school secretary, believes that Connor, St. Angela's PE teacher, is the man who, nearly three decades before, got away with murdering her daughter—a daughter for whom she is still grieving. Simultaneously a page-turner and a book one has to put down occasionally to think about and absorb, Moriarty's novel challenges the reader as well as her characters. *September 16, 2015 — *T.B.D.* *



This Month in the Friends' Gallery

Miranda Updike

Upcoming Events...

Bryson Lang—The Cure for the Common Show

Tues., July 7th

4:00 PM

Bryson Lang has been working professionally as a comedy-juggler for 19 years, and has combined technical juggling skills, creative physical manipulation and original comedy into a unique and unforgettable act. Come see inventive and clever routines that mix comedy, audience participation, ball spinning, ball bouncing, well-crafted timing, sharp sickles, huge spinning bouncing rings, giant Beach Balls, improv, glo-in-the-dark objects and always a few surprises. See why Bryson is, "The Cure for the Common Show!" **This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library, in support of this summer's Every Hero Has A Story Summer Reading Club.**



Start UFund Reading with Buzz Lightyear!

Mon., July 13th

10:30 AM



Join Buzz Lightyear for this fun-filled Story Time and Photo Opportunity—To Infinity and Beyond!

Needham Police Visit

Mon., July 20th

10:00 AM

Find out what it is like to be a police officer—and check out what his cruiser is like!



Needham Fire Department Visit

Fri., July 31st

10:00 AM



Learn all about being a firefighter in Needham and (hopefully) check out a fire truck.

Both of these programs are for children 4+ and are in support of this summer's **Every Hero Has A Story Summer Reading Club.**

Nature Talks: Mushroom Identification Lecture: A Fun Foray Into Foraging (Ages 10 and up)

Tues., July 7th

7:00 PM



Russ Cohen, professional environmentalist, author, and wild foods enthusiast, will teach basic tips on mushroom identification.

Nature Talks: Local Guided Mushroom Foraging with Russ Cohen (Ages 10 and up)

Thurs., July 9th

5:00 PM

Enjoy a local walk with wild foods enthusiast Russ Cohen, with a focus on finding and identifying mushrooms in the field. **These events are sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.**



Singer Bill Shontz

Tues., July 28th

4:00 PM



For years Bill was one half of the internationally acclaimed duo "RosenShontz." He has toured all over the United States and internationally. His gifted musicianship and his zany sense of humor never fails to draw the audience in. Young People LOVE his shows. Family audiences never forget the experience. Bill says: "Practically every day I have people tell me how much my music and recordings have meant to them, and it touches me deeply each time I hear it, to know what a gift it is for me to be able to make such a difference in people's lives." **This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library, in support of this summer's Every Hero Has A Story Summer Reading Club.**

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