



NEEDHAM  
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# LIBRARY NOTES

June 2016

## friends' summit booksale



**Saturday, June 4th**  
**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Sunday, June 5th**  
**1:00 - 4:00 PM**

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

## Joy of Coloring For Adults



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The Library will supply all you need (pencils, markers, coloring sheets), as well as a few snacks. Come for the coloring and conversation with your fellow coloring enthusiasts! Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

## Friends Annual Meeting & Author Kevin Comtois—Troubadours & Troublemakers: The Music and Politics of Guthrie, Seeger, and Dylan

**Wed., June 8th 7:00 PM**



*Troubadours & Troublemakers explores the political, social and economic conditions of the Great Depression as we meet and explore the music and politics of Woody Guthrie. The journey continues with Pete Seeger as he sings his way through World War II, McCarthyism and the Civil Rights Movement. Our journey culminates with an examination of Bob Dylan's evolution from a folk-protest singer to a rock star in 1965. Preceded by the Annual Meeting, this event is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library.*

## World Champion John Higby—The Yo Yo Guy

**Mon., June 20th**

**4:30 PM**



Who would have thought you could make an entire show out of yo-yos? John Higby brings back that nostalgic toy, reminding you of old favorite tricks such as Walk the Dog and Rock the Baby, then amazing you with new and bizarre tricks, such as Boingy-Boingy and Iron Whip. Yo-yos attached to bouncy balls, yo-yos with 10-foot strings, and multiple yo-yos looping while hula hooping and unicycling are just some of John's finely tuned feats. High skill and deft timing to swingin' music coupled with high energy and sarcastic humor makes Yo-Yo Guy a favorite for every age. This is the Kick-off program for **On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!** Summer Reading program, and is sponsored by the **Friends of the Needham Public Library.**

## Children's Movie: Zootopia (Rated PG, 108 Min.)

**Fri., June 24th**

**3:00 PM**



Zootopia is a city filled with talking animals. When a fox has to run from a crime he didn't commit, the best cop in the city has to chase him down. That cop happens to be a rabbit. Things are not always what they seem in Zootopia. The fox and rabbit become embroiled in a conspiracy that threatens to bring them both down. They'll have to work together to find out what's really going on in Zootopia. Can enemies save each other's lives and become friends?

## Spa Day for Tweens @ the Library

**Tues., June 28th**

**4:30 PM**


Tweens ages 10-12 are invited to snack on spa-themed treats while making their own sweet-smelling bath salts, body scrubs, lip balm, potions and lotions out of natural ingredients. Finished projects will be bottled and labeled in pretty packages to take home. Participants may want to give them as gifts or keep them to indulge in for themselves. Come and learn natural beauty secrets. This wellness program for tweens is part of the **Summer Reading Program—On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!**





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 June

 **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**  
**Tues., June 7, 21, 28** 10:00 AM  
 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.

 **Babies & Books for Pre-walkers Under One**  
**Tues., June 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., June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** 10:00 AM  
 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.

 **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-4 years**  
**Mon., June 6, 13, 20** 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., June 3** 10:30 AM  
 This is a Drop-in program for preschoolers and is led by a teacher from the Pine Village School.



## FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING

**Sat., June 18** 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.



## Summer Crafts for ages 2+ years

**Thurs., June 23** 10:30 - 11:30 AM

## Summer Crafts for Ages 4+

**Thurs., June 23** 4:00 - 5:00 PM

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

**Tues., June 14** 4:00 - 5:00 PM



## Children's Programs in June

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



**Wed., June 1** 11:00 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 10** 3:00 PM  
**Thurs., June 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., June 14 (ages 2-5)** 10:00 AM



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



Our 2016 sports, health and wellness theme is **On Your Mark, Get Set... Read!** There are teams from the local schools ready to read their way to victory in the **Library League**: *The Newman Nighthawks*, *The Hillside Heroes*, *The Mitchell*

*Mustangs*, *The Eliot Eagles*, *The Broadmeadow Bears* and *The St. Joseph Jaguars*. Pre-schoolers, homeschoolers and children who do not attend a local school may join *The Reading Rockets* team. There will be prizes awarded in specific categories for which each team may compete. We all know there's no "I" in team, but as a signing bonus, every child who registers for the **Library League** will receive a special gift. Every child who competes in the **Library League** will receive a toy prize for every 2 hours of reading. Every child who completes the championship by reading at least 16 hours or more over the summer will receive a free book, a toy prize and be eligible to win grand prizes. Marathon readers who read for more than 16 hours will be entered in an additional prize drawing. **Registration begins May 1st and continues through August 1st.** The games begin on June 20th and end on August 16th.



## Teen Programs in June

### Teen Crafternoon—Doodle Hour

Mon., June 6th

4:00 PM

Studying for exams or working on papers and book reports got you saying “UGH!”? Come join us in the Young Adult Room for a “Doodle Hour” to de-stress with friends. Whether you use colored pencils, markers, or crayons, coloring book pages or do your own thing, being creative for even just an hour of your day can be rewarding. 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.

## June Book Discussions

### Bookventurers Book Club for Grades 3-5\*\*

Sat., June 11

3:15 - 4:30 PM



#### Skype with Kurtis Scaletta

\*\*Registration is required, one month in advance, in person or call 781-455-7559, ext. 204.

- Read the book
- Discuss it with other kids
- Participate in book themed activities
- Make new friends!
- Enjoy book themed snacks!

### NPL Book Group

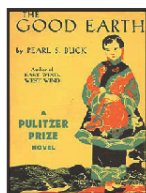
Tuesday, June 14th

1:00 PM

#### *The Good Earth*

by Pearl S. Buck

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, an all time classic beloved by millions, *The Good Earth* tells the story of the rise of the House of Wang—the family of the Chinese peasant Wang Lung who gloried in the soil he worked. He held it above his family and above his gods and it sustained him. He held it against the ravages of nature and bandit tribes and he prospered. He planted the roots of a powerful dynasty—one of wives and concubines and many sons who would betray him.



\*July 19, 2016—*A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman\*

### NPL Spanish Language Book Club

Tuesday, June 14th

7:00 PM

#### *Pepita Jimenez*

by Juan Valera

*Pepita Jimenez* tells the tale of Luis de Vargas, a devout twenty-two-year-old seminarian who has come home to visit with his father before entering the priesthood. The storyline unfolds when he meets a comely twenty-year-old widow named Pepita Jimenez and has his religious calling put to the test. The first part of the novel is epistolary in form, through a series of letters Luis writes to his Dean, who is both his uncle and his mentor at the seminary, and everything—people, places, and activities—is filtered through his eyes. The second part reverts to the traditional all-seeing narrator of the realist novel, while the third consists of letters that Pedro de Vargas, Luis's father, writes to his brother the Dean. \*July 27, 2016—*Like Water for Chocolate* (Como agua para chocolate) by Laura Esquivel\*



### NPL Evening Book Club

Wednesday, June 15th

7:00 PM

#### *A Spool of Blue Thread*

by Anne Tyler

“It was a beautiful, breezy, yellow-and-green afternoon.” This is the way Abby Whitshank always begins the story of how she fell in love with Red that day in July 1959. The whole family—their two daughters and two sons, their grandchildren, even their faithful old dog—is on the porch, listening contentedly as Abby tells the tale they have heard so many times before. And yet this gathering is different too: Abby and Red are growing older, and decisions must be made about how best to look after them, and the fate of the house so lovingly built by Red's father. Brimming with the luminous insight, humor, and compassion that are Anne Tyler's hallmarks, this capacious novel takes us across three generations of the Whitshanks, their shared stories and long-held secrets, all the unguarded and richly lived moments that combine to define who and what they are as a family. \*September 21, 2016—*Americanah* and *We Should All Be Feminists* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie\*



### This Month in the Friends' Gallery

**Ilene Hoffman**

**Wildlife of Needham**

### 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...

### On Your Mark, Get Set...Read! Summer Film Festival

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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Fri., July 1    | Everyone's Hero<br>(Rated G, 90 Min) |  |
| Fri., July 15   | Cloud Nine<br>(Rated G, 87 Min)      |  |
| Fri., July 29   | Air Bud<br>(Rated G, 68 Min)         |  |
| Fri., August 5  | Space Jam<br>(Rated PG, 87 Min)      |  |
| Fri., August 26 | Turbo<br>(Rated PG, 96 Min)          |  |

Start Time at 2:00 PM, in the Community Room.

### ToBe Fit–The Juggling Nutrition Magician Show Mon., July 25th 4:30 PM



*ToBe Fit–The Juggling Nutrition Magician* is a rollicking show that inspires kids to take charge of growing up healthy, happy, active and fit! Featuring amazing feats of juggling, circus arts, music, magic, and audience participation, *ToBe Fit* helps kids make good eating and active living great fun. This healthful balancing act is a favorite among kids and families for its ability to engage, inspire, and motivate children to develop healthy habits to last a healthy lifetime. And, after the show, kids are amazed to learn how to juggle. *ToBe Fit* helps kids and families discover that “whatever you want to do or to be, you can learn how from books at your local library!” This event is sponsored by the *Friends of the Needham Library*, in support of the *On Your Mark, Get Set...Read! Summer Reading Program*.

### Caravan Puppets Presents: Ready, Set...Show! for ages 3+

Thurs., July 7th

10:30 AM

Multicultural and original stories to celebrate the 2016 summer reading theme “Health, Fitness and Sports.” Some of the stories are interactive, all have positive messages! Stories include:



*The Fox in the Vineyard* – The greedy fox learns that you have to keep in shape to leap a vineyard fence!

*Tortoise And The Hare* – In Caravan’s version, the Tortoise and Hare race around a shopping mall. The Hare is overconfident, but the Tortoise still wins.

*Washing Up!* – An original tale which turns the simple act of washing ones hands into an epic microscopic puppet adventure!

This Event is sponsored by the *Friends of the Needham Library*, in support of the *On Your Mark, Get Set...Read! Summer Reading Program*.

### For The Love of Food: A Cookbook Club for Foodies **\*\*Registration Required\*\***

Mon., July 18th

7:00 PM

Cooking and Gardening with Herbs–A Slide Show and Cooking Demonstration with Liz Barbour.



Following the slide presentation will be a cooking demonstration and sampling of three delicious recipes featuring fresh herbs. Liz will introduce you to healthy recipes using herb combinations that you can purchase and grow in your own garden. Add in Liz’s easy cooking technique tips and you are on your way to creating great meals you can prepare at home. **\*\*Registration for this event is required. Please sign up at Adult Reference.**



\*Next Meeting: September 19, 2016\*

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# ON YOUR MARK, GET SET... READ!



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