Friends’ Summer Book Sale

Friday, May 31st
12:30 – 4:00 PM
Saturday, June 1st
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Sunday, June 2nd
1:00 – 4:00 PM

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

Cold War America with Dr. Gary Hylander

Tues., June 4th
7:30 PM

With the end of World War II, the Soviet Union shifted from wartime ally to Cold War adversary. Join in examining the reasons for this abrupt shift. An Iron Curtain descended across Eastern Europe, while a Bamboo Curtain sealed off the people of China. A Red Scare swept across America. “Better dead than Red” became the watchword of the times. McCarthyism, HUAC, the Rosenberg trial, Sputnik and much more dominated the nation’s headlines. This is the last of four lectures in this series, sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Summer Movies at the Library

Hidden Figures (Rated PG, 2 hours, 7 minutes)

Tues., June 25th
7:00 PM

Three brilliant African-American women at NASA—Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson—serve as the brains behind one of the greatest achievements in history: the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit, a stunning achievement that restored the nation’s confidence, turned around the Space Race and galvanized the world. Shown in support of this Summer’s Adult Reading Program and sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library. Next Presentation: July 16th—Apollo 11 (90 minutes)

One Book One Community Read coming October 2019

This year’s choice is The Art Forger by B. A. Shapiro

On March 18, 1990, 13 works of art now worth more than $500 million were stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston. It remains the largest unsolved art heist in history, and struggling young artist Claire Roth is about to discover that there’s more to this crime than meets the eye.

Author B. A. Shapiro will be coming to speak on Sunday, October 6, 2019, at 2:00 PM in the Community Room. Other activities are currently in the planning stages and will be announced shortly. Once again, the library will host book discussion groups (dates TBA) and is looking for discussion leaders. If interested, please contact us at neccmail@minlib.net. Books will be made available at the library to read over the summer by the end of June, courtesy of the Friends of the Needham Public Library, and for borrowing via ILL or Overdrive/Libby for ebooks. A more formal announcement will be in the July/August 2019 issue of Library Notes.
**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 4, 18, 25  
10:00 AM  
Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.

**Babies & Books for up to one year**  
Tues., June 4, 18, 25  
11:00 AM  
Babies and their adult caregivers explore the rhythms and patterns of speech with songs, lap games and a story or two.

**Child’s Play Storytime for ages 0-2 years**  
Wed., June 12, 19, 26  
10:00 AM  
Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.

**Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-6 years**  
Mon., June 3, 10, 24  
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.

### Children’s Programs in June

**Make Music with Stacey Peasley**  
for ages 2-5  
Wed., June 5  
10:00 AM  
Mon., June 17  
10:00 AM  
Join Stacey Peasley for a fun-filled half hour of music and song for children and their caregivers.

**Sing-Along with Ed Morgan**  
Fri., June 14  
3:00 PM  
Thurs., June 20  
10:30 AM  
For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. Drop-in program—please arrive on time.

**Music with Sarah for ages 5 and under**  
Tues., June 11 (ages 2-5)  
10:00 AM  
Tues., June 11 (ages 2 and under)  
11:00 AM  
Join Sarah Gardner and bring your little ones to play instruments, sing & dance along. Become part of the little library band!

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

### Chinese Storytime for ages 5 and under

**Sat., June 1**  
10:00 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.

### Learn & Play Group for ages 2-5

**Fri., June 7 & 21**  
10:30-11:15 AM  
A drop-in playgroup for caregivers and children, providing STEAM activities, literacy and social play for ages 2-5 years.  
*Provided by Family Access of Newton.*

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

**Wed., June 12**  
4:00-5:00 PM

### Pre-school Crafts for ages 2+ years

**Thurs., June 13**  
10:30-11:30 AM  
Drop-in for age appropriate Make-N-Take Crafts!

### FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING

**Sat., June 15**  
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.

### Yoga for Children ages 5-9

**Sat., June 22**  
10:30 AM

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*A Universe of Stories*
Prismatic Lasers—Laser Show
Mon., June 24th 4:30 PM
Lasers in Space: Come and see how amazing lasers create colorful images that transform from one shape to another and show the story of space exploration! This entertaining presentation combines lasers & music, and explores the planets, the sun and why today’s most advanced space probes carry laser-powered instruments. Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Glow Stick Party
5:30 PM
Right after the laser show, come enjoy a glow party in the children's craft room! Create with glow sticks, play glow in the dark tic-tac-toe and more!

Summer 2019 Early Literacy Program for Children from Birth up to 3 Years Old

The Countdown Begins
Fly over to the Children’s Department to sign up from now through July 29th and receive a free book for the child, and a free pass for the family to the USS Constitution Museum. Log the time spent reading between June 24th-August 9th (last day for entries). Read to the child for 6 hours and infants receive a plush rocket. Children ages 1-3 receive star-shaped sunglasses. Read aloud to the child for 10 hours by August 9th to receive another free book for the child, a free ice cream cone, and entrance in a drawing for a prize for yourself.

Race in Outer Space
There will be a paper rocket on the bulletin board representing children who are in the summer Early Literacy Program, homeschoolers and children who go to school outside of Needham. This rocket will be racing on its way to a distant planet, along with a rocket representing each Needham elementary school. As you read aloud to the child and log the time spent reading, the rocket will move a little bit closer to the planet each week. Which rocket will arrive first and win the race? It’s all up to you. The more you read aloud to your little one, the faster and further that rocket will travel. You can also register and record your reading online at: needhamma.beanstack.org

Creation Station Hours
Mon.-Thurs. 3:30 - 8:30 PM
Friday 3:30 - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Sunday 1:00 - 6:30 PM
Early Release Days 1:00 - 8:30 PM
Open All Day After School Year Ends

2019 Summer Reading Program for Children from Ages 4–12

The Countdown Begins
Children from Ages 4–12, fly over to the Children's Department to sign up now through July 29th. Get a free book prize, a reading brag tag and neck chain when you sign up. As you log your reading, receive 4 beads for every 2 hours of reading. The more you read, the more specialized beads you can collect to put on your neck chain. Read 8 hours to get a Chipotle’s Kids’ Meal! The more you read, the more special prizes you will receive! Read and log the time you spent reading, starting on June 24th and ending on August 9th to be eligible for grand prizes. Attend events from June 24th to August 12th. You can also register and record your reading online at: needhamma.beanstack.org

Race in Outer Space
Each elementary school in Needham is represented by a rocket on the bulletin board in the Children’s Room. Each rocket is on its way to the same distant planet, moving a little bit closer each week as children record their time spent reading. Which rocket will arrive first and win the race? It’s all up to you. The more you read, the faster and further your school’s rocket will travel.

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Teens and ‘Tweens Programs in June

High School Study Space for Finals
Sun., June 9th        1:00-6:00 PM
Tues., June 11th      4:00-9:00 PM
Thurs., June 13th     4:00-9:00 PM

In collaboration with the Needham Senior High School, the Needham Free Public Library will be offering a study space in the Library’s Community Room for Needham High students grades 9-12, preparing for Finals. We will be offering Study Zones with tutors from the National Honor Society, Teachers and friends. There will be a Chill Zone with snacks, drinks and surprises, and visits from Cabrian the Therapy Dog. Any questions? Call Erin at the Reference Desk.

Soap Making —Teen/‘Tweens and Adults
Session One: Astronauts & Aliens Duckie Soaps for Teens and ‘Tweens
Thurs., June 6th        4:00 - 5:00 PM
Participants will make their own creation using glycerin based soap and adding colors, glitter and scents. Once the concoction has cooled slightly, add the cosmetic grade glitter, colors, and essential oil (optional), then embed the astronaut and alien rubber duckies and decorate the tops with green soap curls, to make it look like grass. At the end of the workshop each participant will take home his/ her handmade soap.

Session Two: Curly Rainbow Soap for Adults
Thurs., June 6th        7:00 - 8:00 PM
Participants will make their own fun and quirky swirl soap using a glycerin based soap, colorful soap curls, color, cosmetic glitter and a variety of scents. Come discuss the steps in making cold process soap, the blending of essential oils, and the role of exfoliants in soap making. At the end of the workshop each participant will take home his/her handmade creation. *Registration required—limit of 20 per session. Registration will begin on May 23rd at the Adult Reference Desk.

Help celebrate and make the 2nd summer of the Young Adult Summer Reading Program (YASRP) at the Needham Free Public Library a success! This program, for rising 6th through 12th graders, will be similar to last year’s format, but with paper forms only. The prize tickets are back! Get tickets by attending various programs geared toward ‘tweens and teens, and by tracking the books you’ve read throughout the summer for a chance to win prizes (small and large)! For every book read, you receive a ticket (every ticket is a winner) which will allow you to choose a prize. Might as well track those books needed to be read for school anyway! Why not get a prize for doing so? You must log all your books by August 17th to win prizes throughout the summer and to be eligible for the grand prizes at the end of the summer. Please note that all registered YASRP participants who attend summer ‘Tweens/Teen designated programs will be given a scratch ticket for just attending each event.

Adults looking to get in on the Summer Reading Program fun too? Join the Needham Free Public Library for its inaugural year of the Adult Summer Reading Program. Read and track books on a fun book bingo board for a chance to win prizes.
Registration opens on May 28th and logging books will begin June 18th for both Young Adult and Adult Programs. Stay tuned for more details on both of these programs over the next few months! Any questions about these wonderful programs may be directed to Young Adult Librarian Erin at ebssett@minlib.net or contact the Adult Reference Desk at 781-455-7559, x 2.

A Universe of Stories Movies for June 2018

Zathura (Rated PG, 1 hour 41 minutes)
Fri., June 21st        2:00 PM
After their father is called into work, two young boys, Walter and Danny, are left in the care of their teenage sister, Lisa, and told they must stay inside. Walter and Danny, who anticipate a boring day, are shocked when they begin playing Zathura, a space-themed board game, which they realize has mystical powers when their house is shot into space. With the help of an astronaut, the boys attempt to return home.

Planet 51 (Rated PG, 1 hour 31 minutes)
Fri., June 28th        2:00 PM
When astronaut Capt. Charles “Chuck” Baker lands on Planet 51, he thinks he is the first life form to set foot there. He gets the surprise of his life when he learns that it is inhabited by little green people who live in an idyllic version of 1950s America—complete with a universal fear of alien invasion.
NPL Book Group
Tuesday, June 11th 1:00 PM
News of the World
by Paulette Jiles
In the winter of 1870, Captain Jefferson Kyle Kidd has made a fairly comfortable living in northern Texas. He travels from town to town, reading current news of ratified amendments and polar expeditions to (mostly) attentive audiences. When he is asked to deliver a 10-year-old German girl back to her relatives in San Antonio in exchange for $50 in gold, he agrees. Johanna’s parents had been killed by the Kiowa, but she was spared and was raised as one of their own for four years. Captain Kidd finds that Johanna, now in his care, has lost nearly all memory of her language, comportment, and upbringing. Facing a 400-mile journey filled with threats of ambush and an uncooperative charge, Captain Kidd wonders if his choice to deliver the girl was the right one. *Sept. 10, 2019—Pachinko by Min Jin Lee*

NPL Evening Book Club
Wednesday, June 19th 7:00 PM
Pachinko by Min Jin Lee
Pachinko follows one Korean family through the generations, beginning in early 1900s Korea with Sunja, the prized daughter of a poor yet proud family, whose unplanned pregnancy threatens to shame them all. Despised by her lover, Sunja is saved when a young tubercular minister offers to marry and bring her to Japan. So begins a sweeping saga of an exceptional family in exile from its homeland and caught in the indifferent arc of history. Through desperate struggles and hard-won triumphs, its members are bound together by deep roots as they face enduring questions of faith, family, and identity. *Sept 18, 2019—The Shadow of the Wind by Carlos Ruiz Zafón*

This Month in the Friends’ Gallery
Irwin E. Thompson
Colors and Places

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 |

Contact the Library at 781-455-7559

Bookventurers Book Club for Grades 3-5*
Sat., June 1st 3:00 - 4:00 PM
This month’s title is The Cardboard Kingdom by Chad Sell. *Registration is requested*, in person or call 781-455-7559, x 204 • Read the book • Discuss it with other kids • Participate in book themed activities • Make new friends!

DID YOU KNOW...

The Needham Free Public Library is pleased to announce that it has recently added A to Z World Food to its online reference offerings. This new library resource contains more than 7,000 traditional recipes from 174 countries, along with thousands of ingredient, food culture, and reference articles, making it the largest food database of its kind.

Needham patrons can access A to Z World Food with their library card from the Library’s Online Resources page at www.needhamma.gov/library. A to Z World Food also enables users to forward recipes to friends by email and even create their own personal cookbook of favorite recipes. This database was designed for culinary institutes, students, world travelers, cooking clubs, adventurous eaters, and anyone who wants to learn about world cuisine without having to purchase individual country cookbooks.

By offering A to Z World Food, the Needham Free Public Library continues to promote its mission to deepen its coverage of topics that are of interest to its diverse population of patrons.

For more information please contact the Reference Department at 781-455-7559, x 2.
Upcoming Events...

A Universe of Stories
Summer Events
For Children Ages 4 and Up Unless Otherwise Noted

Prismatic Lasers—Laser Show
Mon., June 24th 4:30 PM
Lasers in Space followed by a Glow Party!

Visit from a NASA Ambassador
Tues., July 9th 4:30 PM

Stargazer’s Apprentice with Mike Francis
Sat., July 13th 2:30 PM

Springfield Science Museum—Sky Lab Planetarium
Mon., July 15th 4:00 PM

Sparky’s Puppets—Stories from Outer Space.
For children ages 2 and up
Wed., July 24th 11:00 AM

Science Tellers—Aliens: Escape from Earth
Wed., July 31st 4:30 PM

Mike Bent Magic Show: Blast Off with Books
Wed., August 7th 4:30 PM

End of Summer Reading Party
Mon., August 12th

Michael Menes Cosmic Juggling Show 4:00 PM

Alien Balloon Hats & Balloon Twisting 4:45 PM

All events sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library

A Universe of Stories Movie Festival

June 21 Zathura
Rated PG - 1 hour 41 minutes

June 28 Planet 51
Rated PG - 1 hour 31 minutes

July 19 Muppets from Space
Rated G - 1 hour 28 minutes

July 26 Home
Rated PG - 1 hour 31 minutes

August 2 Space Buddies
Rated G - 1 hour 24 minutes

August 16 Buzz Lightyear of Star Command
Unrated - 1 hour 11 minutes

August 23 The Last Mimzy
Rated PG - 1 hour 41 minutes

August 30 Treasure Planet
Rated PG - 1 hour 31 minutes

All Movies start at 2:00 PM and will be in the Community Room.

Summer Movies at the Library

Tues., July 16th Apollo 11
Unrated
1 hour 30 minutes

Tues., July 23rd First Man
Rated PG-13,
2 hours 22 minutes

Tues., August 27th The Martian
Rated PG-13,
2 hours 37 minutes

All Movies start at 7:00 PM and will be in the Community Room.

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