



LIBRARY NOTES

May 2015

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

Nature Talks: *Fun With Earth Dumplings: Making Clay Seed Balls to Produce Bee and Butterfly-Friendly Plants* (For Ages 5 and up with accompanying adult)

Sun., May 3

2:00 PM



Larissa Jacobson of the Needham Community Farm will describe the work that it does and show how to create and attract bees and butterflies by incorporating plants into empty spaces. **Limited to 50 participants—registration will begin one week before event at the Adult Reference Desk on the Second Floor.** This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Nature Talks: *Movement and Yoga for Gardeners*

Tues., May 5th

2:00 PM

Movement and Yoga for Gardeners will help all gardeners stay motivated, happy and fit this summer. In a one-hour session, landscape designer and yoga practitioner Lynette Tsiang will demonstrate exercises to develop body awareness and explore ways to avoid the fatigue and injuries that come with repetitive garden movements and chores. As someone who has been gardening for 33 years and practicing Yoga for 25 years, Ms. Tsiang believes in the synergy of both disciplines. This event is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.



Dr. Gary Hylander—America and World War II
Tues., May 19th 7:30 PM



During the 1930's, American policymakers were more concerned with the Depression than with the deepening clouds of war in Europe and Asia. American public opinion was in no mood for another war "to make the world safe for democracy." But after December 7, 1941, "a date," thundered FDR, "which will live in infamy," the United States for the first time in its history faced war on two battlefronts. And as we entered the battle, America's enemies were already triumphant everywhere. This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

Children's Movie: *Paddington* (Rated PG, 95 minutes)

Fri., May 22

3:30 PM

Striking out on his own, a young bear from Peru named Paddington journeys to London to seek a home. Despite having a love for everything British, Paddington has a hard time adjusting to the big city. Finding himself alone and lost in Paddington station, the young bear is discovered by the kind Brown family.



They read the note around his neck, which asks that someone take care of him, and offer to let him live with them. Things start to settle down as Paddington adjusts to his new home. That is until a taxidermist from a museum sees Paddington and wants to add the rare bear to his collection. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

Peter Boie—Magician for Non-Believers

Sat., May 9th

10:30 AM



Peter started learning magic at age 11 from a magic book he checked out from his local library. That interest turned into a career as a professional magician that has taken him around the country. He tells that story at every library where he performs, the story of how his local library empowered him to change his life. This show is for ages 4 - 104, and is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

friends' summer booksale




Saturday, May 30th
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM


Sunday, May 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 May



 **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**
Tues., May 5, 12, 26 10:00 AM

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




 **Babies & Books for Pre-walkers Birth to 11 months**

 Tues., May 5, 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 (20 min.).




 **Drop-In Child's Play for ages 0-2 years**

 Wed., May 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**

 Wed., May 6, 13, 20, 27 11:00 AM
 An interactive themed storytime with picture books, music and movement, followed by a craft (45 min.).
 For ages 3-4. Children who are ready, may attend independently. Caregivers are also welcome.

 **Elementary, My Dear Readers**

 Fri., May 1, 15, 29 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.



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

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

Saturday, May 23 2:30 - 3:30 PM

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



Children's Programs in May

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



Mon., May 4 10:30 AM

Mon., May 11 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., May 8 3:00 PM

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., May 19 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.

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



Wed., May 27 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.**

Nature Talks: Children's Book Week StoryWalk Monday–Sunday, May 4–10

Everyone is invited to take a StoryWalk to celebrate Children's Book Week. Individual pages of a picture book will be sequentially posted along our row of trees in the back of the library. Walk along and read the pages together, as you enjoy sharing nature and a story. This event is for families with children, all ages and is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and the Friends of the Needham Public Library.



May Book Discussions

NPL Book Group Tuesday, May 12th

1:00 PM

The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared

by Jonas Jonasson



Desperate to avoid his 100th birthday party, Allan Karlsson climbs out the window of his room at the nursing home and heads to the nearest bus station, intending to travel as far as his pocket money will take him. But a spur-of-the-moment decision to steal a suitcase from a fellow passenger sends Allan on a strange and unforeseen journey involving, among other things, some nasty criminals, a very large pile of cash, and an elephant named Sonya. It's just another chapter in a life full of adventures for Allan, who has become entangled in the major events of the twentieth century, including the Spanish Civil War and the Manhattan Project. *June 9, 2015—*The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Strout*

NPL Evening Book Group Wednesday, May 20th

7:00 PM

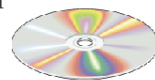
Help Choose Next Year's Titles

Please join us as we choose next year's titles for the NPL Evening Book Club! *June 17, 2015 — *The Husband's Secret* by Liane Moriarty*

DID YOU KNOW...

... that the Needham Free Public Library has a large collection of DVDs and Blu-rays, books on CD, and music CDs to borrow for free?

The DVD collection consists of a wide selection of classic films, new releases, and interesting documentaries, with many available on Blu-ray.



There are also exercise and yoga DVDs for backs that hurt from all of this winter's shoveling.

If you have a long commute, check out the library's collection of books on CD to listen to while gridlocked in traffic. Listen to novels, try a new language, or learn about the world with a variety of Fiction, Nonfiction, and Language-learning CDs. Many of the library's selections are several discs long; they can be entertaining for hours!

Looking for some music to liven up this spring's outdoor clean-up activities? The library has a wide variety of CDs to check out—Blues, Country, International, Jazz, Pop, and Show-tunes, just to name a few. In addition to the physical CDs, the library offers Needham residents an opportunity to download 5 free MP3 songs a week from Freegal Music. (Check out the Resources & Information Tab at



www.needhamma.gov/library to access the Databases. Freegal Music does require a Needham Library card to log in.)

In all, the library offers you plenty of material for watching, listening and learning. And remember, all audio-visual materials circulate for three weeks. Plenty of time to binge-watch Season 2 of *The Americans* or Season 5 of *Downton Abbey*. 😊

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, **starting May 9, 2015**, and is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

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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

This Month in the Friends' Gallery
Needham Senior High School
Boston Globe/Scholastic
Art Award Winners

Upcoming Events...

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

Mon., June 8th 7:00 PM



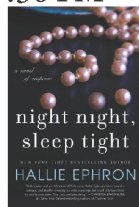
In a one-hour discussion-demonstration, **Going to Pots** offers creative and practical ideas for the coming growing season, with Master Gardener Betty Sanders assembling five unique container gardens using annuals, perennials and herbs. All gardeners and wish-to-be gardeners will find something new,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



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