



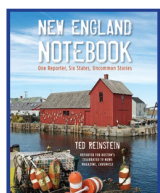
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LIBRARY NOTES

November 2013

**WCVB/Chronicle Reporter Ted Reinstein—
*New England Notebook: One Reporter, Six
States, Uncommon Stories***

Thurs., November 7th 7:30 PM



New England Notebook goes beyond the merely curious, though it offers plenty of intriguing tidbits, unusual museums, fascinating characters, and many pieces of trivia and little-known facts. This is a collection of colorful facts, stories and anecdotes, plus a savvy selection of unusual eats, goods, services and events. Whether it's finding a little-known museum of Titanic memorabilia, an underwater escape artist, or the smallest bar, both casual readers and dedicated lovers of all things New England will share a hearty—and humorous—sense of “Who knew?” This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

**Dr. Gary Hylander—Masters of Industry:
George Pullman**

Tues., November 19th 7:30 PM

The Pullman Palace Car Company built the elegant Pullman coach. Only the very rich could afford to travel in such luxurious accommodations. Most of George Pullman's workers lived in his company town outside of Chicago. When Pullman announced

a twenty-five percent wage cut in June of 1894 without a corresponding reduction in rents and other costs, his workers went on strike. When sympathetic railroad workers refused to handle trains carrying Pullman cars, the strike snarled rail traffic across twenty-seven states. President Cleveland called on the Justice Department and state militias to put down the unrest.

Gary Hylander, adjunct professor at Framingham State University and Stonehill College, will talk about the life of this American industrialist and philanthropist. The third in a series of four lectures on the Masters of American Industry. *This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



**Daniel Cooper, Ph.D., Senior Economist,
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston**

Sun., November 17th 2:00 PM



Daniel Cooper, Federal Reserve economist and Needham resident, will discuss the role of the Fed in promoting economic stability and growth both at a national and local level. Learn about how the Boston Fed is helping revitalize local Massachusetts communities and Cooper's research on consumer behavior. Follow-up questions and discussion are welcome. *This program is planned and sponsored by Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

Super Cool Beans in Concert

Sat., November 23rd 10:30 AM

Super Cool Beans, featuring Bobo the Funky Purple Bean, Chili the Cool Blue Bean & Angie the Checkerboard Bean



are ready to bounce and bring their freshly grown brand of interactive entertainment to a new crop of Sprouts! Enhanced with entertaining props and interactive fun, a Super Cool Beans concert is sure to please everyone from ages 2 and up! This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

SPOTLIGHT ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Guest Speaker: Laura Rotolo—American Civil Liberties Union

Thurs., November 21st 7:30 PM



An Interactive Evening Program, featuring the *The Story of Human Rights* DVD and guest speaker **Laura Rotolo** of the American Civil Liberties Union. **Sponsored by the Needham Human Rights Committee and the Needham Free Public Library.**

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

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

Children's Programs in November

Drop-in Storytimes for ages 5 and under



Wed., November 6, 20, 27 10:00 AM
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Fri., November 15 10:30 AM

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

Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein**



Mon., November 18 10:30 AM
Tues., November 26 10:30 AM

An interactive music and movement program for adults and children under 4. **Registration is required, one session per month only please.

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



Tues., November 5 11:00 AM
Tues., November 19 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-Along with Ed Morgan



Fri., November 8 3:00 PM
For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program—please arrive on time.

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., November 7 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.*

"Fun Flicks" Movies for ages 2-5



Thurs., November 7, 21 11:00 AM
Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

Children's Craft Programs in November



Drop-In "Crafts of the Month" for ages 2-6
Mon., November 4 4:00 PM



Drop-In "Teddy Bear Day" Crafts for ages 2-6
Thurs., November 14 10:30 AM



Drop-In "Harvest Day" Crafts for ages 2-6
Mon., November 18 4:00 PM



Drop-In "Thank You Card Making" Crafts for ages 2-6

Fri., November 22 10:30 AM
Mon., November 25 4:00 PM

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

Growing Readers: Story/Crafts for Ages 4-6

Wed., November 6 12:45 PM
Wed., November 20 12:45 PM



Join us for this combination storytime and craft session.

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



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

Tuesday, November 19 4:30 - 5:30 PM

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

Children's Movie: Disney-Pixar's *Monsters University*. Rated G, 104 minutes

Fri., November 29th 10:00 AM



Long before they were lurking in closets for a living, Mike and Sulley were just two Scaring majors at Monsters University, dreaming of the day they would make children shriek in terror. When their heated competition to be the most fearsome in their class gets out of hand, however, Mike and Sulley find themselves ejected from the prestigious Scare Program, and they are forced to seek the aid of their oddball friends in order to get their education back on track.

November Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, November 12th

The Night Circus

by Erin Morgenstern

Celia is a five-year-old with untrained psychokinetic powers when she is unceremoniously dumped on her unsuspecting father, Hector Bowen, better known as Le Cirque des Reves' Prospero the Entertainer. Hector immediately hatches a sinister scheme for Celia: pit her against a rival's young magician in an epic battle of magic that will, by design, result in the death of one of the players, though neither Celia nor her adversary, Marco, is informed of the inevitable outcome. What neither Hector nor his rival count on is that Celia and Marco will eventually fall in love. Their mentors—Marco's mentor, Alexander, plucked him from the London streets due to his psychic abilities—attempt to intervene with little success as Celia and Marco barrel toward an unexpected and oddly fitting conclusion.



★ December 10, 2013 Book: *The Art Forger* by B.A. Shapiro ★

NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, November 20th

Any Bitter Thing

by Monica Wood

After surviving a near-fatal accident, thirty-year-old Lizzy Mitchell faces a long road to recovery. She remembers little about the days she spent in and out of consciousness, save for one thing: She saw her beloved deceased uncle, Father Mike, the man who raised her in the rectory of his Maine church until she was nine, at which time she was abruptly sent away



to boarding school. Was Father Mike an angel, a messenger from the beyond, or something more corporeal? Though her troubled marriage and her broken body need tending, Lizzy knows she must uncover the details of her accident—and delve deep into events of twenty years before, when whispers and accusations forced a good man to give up the only family he had. With deft insight into the snares of the human heart, Monica Wood has written an intimate and emotionally expansive novel full of understanding and hope.

★ December 18, 2013 Book: *Gideon's Trumpet* by Anthony Lewis ★

**This Month in the Friends' Gallery
Needham Art Association**

YARN BOMBING

A type of graffiti or street art that employs colorful displays of knitted or crocheted cloth, rather than paint or chalk. While yarn installations--called yarn bombs or knit bombs--may last for years, they are considered non-permanent, and, unlike graffiti, can be easily removed if necessary. The practice is believed to have originated in the U.S. with Texas knitters trying to find a creative way to use their leftover and unfinished knitting projects, but it has since spread worldwide.



Members of the Metrowest Knitters "Yarn Bombing" a statue last month at the Library.

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.	9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays	9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays	9:00am - 5:00pm
Sundays	1:00pm - 5:00pm

Upcoming Events...

Dr. Gary Hylander—Masters of Industry: Henry Ford

Tues., December 10th

7:30 PM

Discover how Henry Ford, through means of mass production, the assembly line and enormous economies of scale, was able to produce one Model T for every minute of the workday.



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Curious Creatures Animal Show

Sat., December 14th

10:30 AM

Just some of the animals you may see at this program include, but are not limited to the following: Alligators, frogs, lizards, arachnids, turtles or tortoises, rabbits, snakes, chinchillas, flying squirrels, skunks, hedgehogs, geckos, bearded dragons and many more! Come and learn about these animals and, if appropriate, you may even get to touch and hold them! This show is a great fit for children of all ages—preschool to College level, as well as the young at heart. *This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



Children's Movie:

Despicable Me 2 — Rated PG, 98 minutes

Thurs., December 12th

3:30 PM



Sticky doesn't begin to describe Gru's new life: the ex-supervillain has given up his villainous ways and he and Dr. Nefario have settled into the legitimate business of making jellies and jams with the help of his army of minions. Parenting is no less sticky,

and the fact that Gru will go to any length to ensure the happiness of his adopted girls Agnes, Edith, and Margo is evident by the elaborate birthday party he's throwing for Agnes that includes a live unicorn and a princess named Gruzinkerbelle. Anti-Villain League operative Lucy Wild kidnaps Gru after the party, using an arsenal of spy gadgetry that would make James Bond jealous, and the agency solicits his help in apprehending a criminal who's made an entire secret lab disappear from the Arctic Circle and stolen a dangerous transmutation formula. The lure of excitement tempts Gru, and he and Lucy set up an undercover operation in a bakery in Paradise Mall, the minions start cranking out cupcakes, and Gru and Lucy begin investigating their fellow business owners. Meanwhile, Agnes pines for a mother, Margo finds her first boyfriend, Dr. Nefario takes a more exciting job, a slew of minions go missing, and Gru staunchly refuses to enter the dating scene. Little does Gru know that his whole life is about to change once again...

Friends' Holiday Book Sale



Saturday, December 7th
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

For Needham Residents Only

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Anytime, Anywhere through the Overdrive
Advantage Program

Enjoy popular titles from the comfort of home

Needham Free Public Library is proud to offer you best-selling and classic e-Books and audio books, available 24/7 from the library's digital collection. This new program, called **Overdrive Advantage** will supplement the existing collection by adding new books and second copies of titles that are currently available through Overdrive program. Look for more information in November on the library's website, newsletter, the local newspapers, and the library's electronic information boards.

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