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LIBRARY NOTES

October 2013

Dr. Gary Hylander—Masters of Industry: John D. Rockefeller

Tues., October 15th 7:30 PM



Hear about John D. Rockefeller, known as the "Prince of Oil," who emerged as one of the giants of American industry and a ruthless competitor. Rockefeller's Standard Oil Company once controlled over 90% of the na-

tion's petroleum production.

Gary Hylander, adjunct professor at Framingham State University and Stonehill College, will talk about the life of this American industrialist and philanthropist. The second in a series of four lectures on the Masters of American Industry.

This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

2008 World Champion John Higby—The YoYo Guy

Sat., October 26th 10:30 AM

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 mul-



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 program is sponsored by the

Library Foundation of Needham.

Author Chaim M. Rosenberg—Child Labor in America: A History

Tues., October 22nd 7:30 PM



At the close of the 19th century, more than 2 million American children under age 16—some as young as 4 or 5—were employed on farms, in mills, canneries, factories, mines and offices, or selling newspapers and fruits and vegetables on the streets. The battle for

and against child labor was fought in the press, as well as state and federal legislatures. Several federal efforts to ban child labor were struck down by the Supreme Court and an attempt to amend the Constitution to ban child labor failed to gain enough support. It took the Great Depression and New Deal legislation to pass the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (and receive the support of the Supreme Court). This history of American child labor details the extent to which children worked in various industries, the debate over health and social effects, and the long battle with agricultural and industrial interests to curtail the practice.

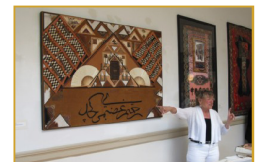
Book available for purchase and autographing following talk.

Artist's Talk: Two Generations of Castano Artists—Giovanni Castano (1896-1978) and Maria Castano

Sun., October 27th 2:00 PM

Artist Maria Castano will speak about the late Needham painter Giovanni Castano and his work, as well as her own work, on display in the Friends' Gallery during September and October 2013.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham 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 October

Drop-in Storytimes for ages 5 and under



Wed., October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	10:00 AM
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Thurs., October 24	10:00 AM
Thurs., October 24	11:00 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**



Tues., October 15	10:30 AM
Mon., October 28	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., October 8	11:00 AM
Tues., October 22	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

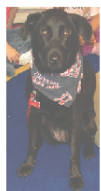


Fri., October 11	3:00 PM
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For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program—please arrive on time.

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., October 3	10:00 AM
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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., Oct. 3, 17, 31	11:00 AM
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Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

Children's Craft Programs in October



Drop-In "Crafts of the Month" for ages 2-6	
Tues., October 1	10:30 AM
Tues., October 1	4:00 PM

Drop-In "Fire Prevention Month" Crafts for ages 2-6



Mon., October 7	4:00 PM
Thurs., October 10	10:30 AM

Drop-In "Farm Animals Day" Crafts for ages 2-6



Tues., October 15	4:00 PM
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Drop-In "Rainforest Week" Crafts for ages 2-6



Fri., October 25	10:30 AM
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Drop-In "Mostly Ghostly" Crafts for ages 2-6



Wed., October 30	4:00 PM
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All Drop-In Craft Programs feature three crafts 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., October 9	12:45 PM
Wed., October 23	12:45 PM



Join us for this combination storytime and craft session.

Slightly Scary Celebration for all Ages

Tues., October 29	4:00 PM
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Join us for this combination storytime and craft session in celebration of all things slightly scary. Event occurs in the Community Room.



Children's Movie: Adventures in Zambezia - Rated PG, 82 minutes

Fri., October 25th

3:30 PM

When a spirited young falcon named Kai learns of Zambezia, the fabulous city of birds, he leaves his remote country home against the wishes of his father. But when his dad is captured by an evil lizard who plans to attack the city, Kai must learn the importance of teamwork if he's to rescue his father, save his new friends and help keep Zambezia lizard free.



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

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

Tuesday, October 22

4:30 - 5:30 PM

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



October Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

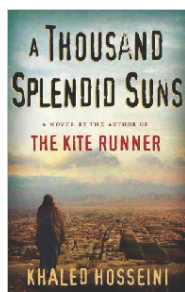
Tuesday, October 8th

***A Thousand Splendid Suns*
by Khaled Hosseini**

A Thousand Splendid Suns is at once an incredible chronicle of thirty years of Afghan history and a deeply moving story of family, friendship, faith, and the salvation to be found in love.

Born a generation apart and with very different ideas about love and family, Mariam and Laila are two women brought jarringly together by war, by loss and by fate. As they endure the ever escalating dangers around them—in their home as well as in the streets of Kabul—they come to form a bond that makes them both sisters and mother-daughter to each other, and that will ultimately alter the course not just of their own lives but of the next generation. With heart-wrenching power and suspense, Hosseini shows how a woman's love for her family can move her to shocking and heroic acts of self-sacrifice, and that in the end it is love, or even the memory of love, that is often the key to survival.

1:00 PM



*A stunning accomplishment, *A Thousand Splendid Suns* is a haunting, heartbreaking, compelling story of an unforgiving time, an unlikely friendship, and an indestructible love.*

★ November 12, 2013 Book: *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern ★

NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, October 16th

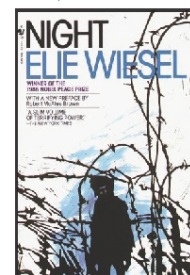
Night

by Elie Wiesel

*In Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel's memoir *Night*, a scholarly, pious teenager is wracked with guilt at having survived the horror of the Holocaust and the genocidal campaign that consumed his family. His memories of the nightmare world of the death camps present him with an intolerable question: how can the God he once so fervently believed in have allowed these monstrous events to occur? There are no easy answers in this harrowing book, which probes life's essential riddles with the lucid anguish only great literature achieves. It marks the crucial first step in Wiesel's lifelong project to bear witness for those who died.*

★ November 20, 2013 Book: *Any Bitter Thing* by Monica Wood ★

7:00 PM



This Month in the Friends' Gallery

**Two Generations of
Castano Artists—
Giovanni Castano
and
Maria Castano**

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00am - 9:00pm

Fridays

9:00am - 5:30pm

Saturdays

9:00am - 5:00pm

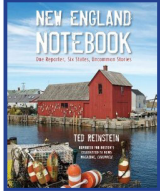
Sundays

1:00pm - 5:00pm

Upcoming Events...

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.

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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.

Children's Movie: *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.

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