

**LIBRARY'S 10TH BIRTHDAY PARTY
AND POETRY CONTEST**

You find the most interesting things when you begin to clean out drawers that are overflowing: assorted nuts and bolts used in assembling my office chair; furniture touch-up pens, cards for any occasion except the one I need, etc. But I also unearthed a ten-year old treasure written by former resident Colin Supple in honor of our new library building's dedication in 2001. It reads:

NEW LIBRARY

Before fish swam
And ships sailed,
Before radios beamed

And pictures moved,
And before dot
Married com,

While dew streamed
Into rivers and
Seas,

A library's vault of
Meaning and
Learning,

A force
On course
For freedom;

Books are basic
And bear the bloom
Of humanity;

A new investment
For the rich future of earth
And Hampton Falls...

We're going to celebrate our tenth birthday in this building on **Wednesday, August 17th with festivities scheduled from 5:00 to 7:30** (*Hampton Falls' talented blues player T.J. Wheeler will provide the music for our family entertainment!*). Join us for cake, ice cream, face painting, and fun. There's also a contest for kids and adults: write a poem about the Hampton Falls Free Library! Prizes for the winning adult entry and children's entry will be awarded that evening. **All entries must be submitted by Friday, August 12th.**

NOVEL DESTINATIONS!

This summer, we want all adults and high school students to travel far and wide with pleasure reading and have the opportunity to win gift certificates from our friends at *Ace Hardware*, *Dodge's Agway*, *Fiddlesticks*, *Village Market*, and *You're Invited* in Hampton Falls, *Drinkwater Flowers* in Hampton and *Philbrick's Fresh Market* in North Hampton! After you register, each book, audio book, or two magazines checked out will earn you one raffle ticket, which you can then distribute in the display bag for the gift certificate(s) of your choice. Want to increase your chance of winning? Write a brief review about a title you liked and earn two additional raffle tickets! The kick-off will happen the same time as the Summer Reading Program begins for youth on **Wednesday, June 22nd**. And, as was mentioned in the last newsletter, if you're here from 5:30 to 7:00, you'll have a chance to learn how to dance the Merengue with award-winning dancer Antonio Cassetta! We'll also have a display of "Novel Destinations" that you may wish to check out and visit via armchair, beach chair or hammock if you are looking for reading ideas.

BOOK GROUP FOR GROWNUPS

The Library's Book Group for Grownups will continue to meet and converse on the last Tuesday evening of the month this summer. On Tuesday, July 26th, join us as we discuss **The Space Between Us: A Novel (P.S)** by Thrity Umrigar. Amazon's review calls it "a poignant novel about a wealthy woman and her downtrodden servant, offers a revealing look at class and gender roles in modern day Bombay. Alternatively told through the eyes of Sera, a Parsi widow whose pregnant daughter and son-in-law share her elegant home, and Bhima, the elderly housekeeper who must support her orphaned granddaughter, Umrigar does an admirable job of creating two sympathetic characters whose bond goes far deeper than that of employer and employee." Switching to non-fiction for our August 30th meeting, we'll focus our beach reading discussion on **The Wave: In Pursuit of the Rogues, Freaks and Giants of the Ocean** by Susan Casey, described by *Bookmarks* magazine as "part science lesson and part adrenaline rush, *The Wave* is an intense thrill ride that manages to take a broad look at oversized, potentially devastating waves...Casey's eloquent writing and jaw-droppingly vivid descriptions of chasing--or trying desperately to steer clear of--these aquatic behemoths". That read should certainly give us something to talk about! Extra books are usually available at the circulation desk; new members or drop-ins are always welcome.

UNATTENDED CHILDREN

Although children and libraries go together like bees and honey, our Library's Behavior Policy states that children aged 9 and younger must be accompanied by a parent or other adult. At the discretion of a responsible adult, children aged 10 or older may be left unattended to read, select materials, complete homework or attend a program. Each child must know how to reach their adult in case this need arises.

BOOK DONATIONS RESUME AUGUST 2nd.

As a reminder, we will not be accepting large book donations until August 2nd for our Fall Book Sale on **Saturday, September 17th from 9 to 1**. Volunteers to help sort, set up and sell are always welcome, so please let us know when you're available. We'll also have a special **Preview Day on Friday, September 16th from 11 to 4**, when books and other items will sell for twice the usual bargain price.

MEETING ROOM REQUESTS will also resume **Tuesday, August 2nd**. If your non-profit organization wants to reserve our room for ongoing events, we encourage you to sign up early! First come, first served. Stop by or call us at 926-3682.

2nd ANNUAL CRAFTS FAIR HAPPENING SEPT. 17TH

Library crafters Lori Ward and Kristin Miranda have generously volunteered to chair the second annual Crafts Fair, to be held rain or shine in conjunction with our Fall Book Sale on **Saturday, September 17th from 9 to 2**. There will be space for 25 exhibitors at this juried fair and applications must be received by **August 5th**. For more information and an application, please go to our web site, www.hamptonfallslibrary.org, where you should be able to download all the necessary forms. Extra forms will also be available at the Library.

PARTING THOUGHT

This quote made me stop and think:

"The real measure of our wealth is how much we would be worth if we lost all our money..." – J. H. Jowett

At least you could still bask in the wealth of your local library!

Be well,
Judy Haskell, Library Director

LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES FUN-FILLED SUMMER!

Our summer reading program “One World, Many Stories” and “You Are Here” is well underway. It is not too late for anyone to sign up for this great program designed to encourage reading for pleasure in a relaxed environment.

During the course of the program, **for every five books read (or read to them) the children in pre-school through 2nd grade** can choose a prize from the Treasure Chest. Once they have read (or been read to) fifteen books **during the June 22nd – July 27th period**, they will be eligible for the grand prize raffle – bicycles donated by Wal-Mart of Seabrook, one for boys and one for girls.

For every 175 pages (equivalent to 5 picture books) the 3rd and 4th graders read, they too can choose a prize from the Treasure Chest. What do they have to read? What do they enjoy??!! Picture Books, Early Readers, chapter books, graphic novels, magazines, all are fine! Once they have read 525 pages **during the time period from June 22nd – July 27th**, they will be eligible for the bicycle raffle as well.

Those children in Grades 5 and up have a “log” to keep track of the number of pages read. For every 175 pages read, they can fill out a coupon to enter a weekly drawing. The more pages read, the more times they are entered! Those children who read 525 pages during the time period running from **June 22nd – July 27th** will be eligible for the final raffle of a \$20 gift certificate from Barnes and Noble. We also have an **Extra-Special Raffle!** Those children who read 525 pages, write a one page book review to be displayed in the Library, attend at least one Summer Reading Program and submit a creative piece (poetry, a story, an essay, artwork, etc.) during the June 23rd – July 28th time period will be entered in a drawing for a **SURFING LESSON** with Cinnamon Rainbows!

This year we have our usual exciting line-up of programs. Children do not need to be signed up for the reading part of the summer program to attend these events, although we do encourage it! On **Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 PM** please join us for:

July 6 – Magician Norman Ng

July 13 – Annual Talent Show! Please sign up to share your talent. This is a wonderful evening!!

July 20 – The Hampstead Stage Company will be here performing “Aladdin”.

July 27- Squam Lakes Natural Science Center - New Hampshire Wildlife

This program is sponsored in part by Hampton Falls Webelos Den 1.

The Baby-Toddler Story Times continue this summer. The sessions run on **Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11 AM**. They are scheduled for **July 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th**. We will then take a break and the next session start up time will be announced.

We also have a number of **Special Programs:**

Friday, July 1st, 10:30 – 11 AM Special Story Time for Pre-Schoolers through Kindergarten, “Stories Around the World” and a craft. Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, July 5th 4 – 5:30 Manga Drawing for 5th – 8th graders with Amanda Coe Please sign up in advance as space is limited.

Thursday, July 7th, 3 – 4 PM Around the World Party for 1st – 4th Graders We’ll have stories, a game, food and craft. Please sign up in advance as space is limited.

Friday, July 8th 3- 4 PM Chinese Calligraphy and Make Your own Fruit Sushi for 5th – 8th Graders Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, July 12th, 3:30 – 4:15 PM and Wednesday, July 13th, 6:30 PM Puppet Camp! On Tuesday we will learn puppetry techniques and practice the story to be performed in the Talent Show. Then, on Wednesday at 6:30 PM, “The Troupe” will be the opening act in the Talent Show. Space is limited to five children ages 8 and up. Please sign up in advance.

Thursday, July 14th, 10:30 – 11 AM Ronald McDonald!

Thursday, July 14th 4 – 5 PM Yoga for 5th – 8th Graders This will be taught by Heather Warr of ChildLight Yoga We need at least 5 participants for this program up to a maximum of 16. Please sign up in advance. **The program will be held at The Farm Yoga and Wellness Center, 69 Drinkwater Road.**

Tuesday, July 19th 4 – 4:30 PM Boston Museum of Science Reptiles! Traveling Program This program is best suited for children ages 7 and older.

Thursday, July 21st 10:30 – 11:15 AM “Books, Bagels, Doughnuts and Deep Thoughts” 5th – 8th Grade Novel Ideas Book Discussion Group New members are always welcome. Copies of the book are available at the Library.

Thursday, July 21st 1:30 – 2:15 PM Safari Party for Pre-school through Kindergarten Please sign up in advance as space is limited.

Friday, July 22nd 3 – 4 PM Visit Europe! For 1st – 4th Graders Crafts, snack and stories. Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, July 26th 3 – 3:45 PM Kids Can! Make a Difference! Grades K – 5. Please sign up in advance.

Special Fundraiser for Children’s Programming!

On Tuesday, July 19th, Wednesday, July 20th and Thursday, July 21st Discovery Toys will be here holding a sale! A percentage of the sale will go to support Children’s Programming at the Library. Please come in and support us in this venture. You will find a wide variety of quality toys and games to choose from.

I would like to extend a special thanks to:

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Ronald McDonald
Margie O’Donnell
Heather Warr – ChildLight Yoga

Happy Summer and Happy Reading!

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Head of Youth Services