

# Library News-January/February 2020

We always start the New Year recognizing those who contributed to the Library in so many ways in the past year. Happily, the list grows each year!

In alphabetical order, they are: David and Elaine Ahearn, Cpt. Larry Anderson, John Ashak, Frank Aurelio, Nancy Axelson, Marilyn and Paul Ayles, all the bakers for the Book Sale and Santa Party, Christine Chase, Carole Chanasyk, John Clemons, Linda and David Coe, the Davidson Family, Sandra and Russ Davies, Dorothy DeCosta, Chief Rob Dirsra, Scott and Sharmila Faiia, Heather Fabbri, Jim Faber, Laura Ferrigno, Carol and Jack Fermery, Ellen Fiascone, Beth Forgione, the Gagalis Family, Donna Gandt, Lt. Alexis Garrant, Karen Gulla, Hampton Falls Police and Firefighters, Town of Hampton Falls Staff, Shawn Hanson, Ardith Harvey, Lisa Hayes, Mary Ann Hill, Kathryn Job, Glenn Johnson, Matt Knowlton, George and Padeu Koch, Jodi Kriner, Lincoln Akerman staff, Chief Jay Lord, Amy Magnarelli, the Mah Jong Ladies, Diane Martin, the Master Gardeners of Rockingham County, Karen McDermott, Richard McDermott, Kathy McLaughlin, Jack McMath, Skip Medford, Kim and Paul Michael, Carol Moore, Beverly Mutrie, Robin Nicholas Joseph O'Connor, Donna and Tom Onacki, Tuesday Orluk, Shelley Parish, John W. Parker, Jessica Perlo, Laura, Michael & Ainsley Pouliot, Deborah Regan, Alisha Roberts, the Rogers Family, Town Administrator Lori Ruest, Tim and Anne Marie Samway, Carol and Gregg Sanborn, Hugh Schrier, Jane Shanahan, Janet Sherrod, Building Inspector Mark Sikorski, Bonnie Sheets, Judy Wilson Smith, Larry Smith, Erin Sniderman, Beth Tamagnini, Sheila Tanguay, Traci Thompson, Abby Tonry, Danny and Marc Tosiano, Louise Vance, Lt. Ryan Venno, Cam Wallace, Lisa Wenger, T.J. Wheeler, and the Williams Family.

In addition, we would like to thank the following businesses for their continuing generosity:

AM-PM Janitorial Service, ARTastic Playspace, Bead Creative, Book Outlet, Boston Museum of Science, Canobie Lake Park, Captain's Cove Adventure Golf, Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Company, Coastal Living Paint and Hardware, DBC Pri-Med, LLC, Dodge's Agway, Drinkwater Flowers & Design, Exeter Greater Federation of Women's Clubs, Emmelyn's Farm Market, Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library, Carolyn Buckley Fusco LMT, George and Phillips-the Sports Specialty Store, Hampton Falls Scout Troops, Hampton Falls Village Market, Hampton Rotary Club, Hannaford Supermarkets, The Herb FARMacy, KB's Center of Dance and Movement, Krystal Ballroom Dance Studio, Las Olas Taqueria, Lindt Chocolate Company, Luv2Play, Valerie Marshall of Osborne Books, Market Basket of Seabrook, Metro Rock of Newburyport, Native Coffee & Kitchen, Natural Oils for Life-Yoga for Health, NH Motorplex, the NHSPCA, The Old Salt Restaurant, O'Neil Cinemas, Pizza Hut, Quicksilver Fine Jewelry & Gifts, the Rye Garden Club, Santa's Village, Story Land, Sweet Snips, Twin Lanterns Dairy Bar, Vision Max Cinema, Walmart of Seabrook, and Water Country.

*We have entered into our coldest and darkest time of year. To entice you out, the Library has planned a variety of events and activities. We hope to see you soon!*

## **EGYPT**

**Thursday, January 9 at 16 6:30 p.m.; Snow date Thursday January 16 at 6:30 p.m.**

Hampton Falls resident Scott Faiia will share his experiences and photos of his years working in Egypt for CARE. His talk will focus on ancient Egypt, the desert, and the history and culture of Cairo.

### **CANDIDATES NIGHT**

The Library will host its annual “**Meet the Candidates**” night on **Wednesday, February 26** from **6:30 to 7:45 p.m.** with a snow date of **Thursday, March 5**. This offers the perfect opportunity to talk with the individuals running for office in Hampton Falls so you can make an informed decision at the polls on March 10.

### **WHAT WE ARE READING**

The adult book group will meet on **Thursday, January 30 at 7:00 p.m.** to discuss The Library Book by Susan Orlean. In 1986, the Los Angeles Public Library suffered a disastrous fire. Orlean chronicles the Los Angeles Public Library fire and its aftermath to showcase the role libraries play in our lives. The author also reexamines the possibility that the fire was set deliberately.

On **Thursday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m.**, we will continue the library theme with The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson. Inspired by the actual blue skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930’s, The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek is a story of courage, strength and the belief that books can carry us anywhere.

Copies of the books will be available at the Library and new members are always welcome.

### **COOKBOOK CLUB**

The Cookbook Club will be tasting and sharing delicious and soul satisfying soups on **Saturday, January 25** at **Noon**. Instead of working from the same book, participants will prepare a soup of their choice. For inspiration, there will be several soup cookbooks at the front desk. New members are always welcome.

### **ART EXHIBITS**

In past years, the Library has been privileged to display the artwork of local artists. We have received many positive comments regarding the art on display. If there are more artists out there who would like to display artwork on the Library walls in 2020, please let us know.

### **WEATHER OR NOT**

Should the Library need to close due to inclement weather (and we get our share in New England!), you can check WMUR storm closure alert. The station will list closings at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour. In addition, closings are listed on [www.wmur.com](http://www.wmur.com) and the Library’s website [www.hamptonfallslibrary.org](http://www.hamptonfallslibrary.org).

### **PARTING THOUGHT**

“As a child, my number-one best friend was the librarian in my grade school. I actually believed that all of those books belonged to her.” Erma Bombeck

Very truly yours,

Barbara Tosiano  
Library Director

## LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES

### CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING!

#### Story Times!

Story Time sign-up begins Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. You can sign up by stopping in or calling the Library at 926-3682. You can also send an e-mail to Miss Leah at hamptonfalls.librarykids@gmail.com to sign up for Story Times. Thank you!

**In case of inclement weather, please call the Library to check if we will be holding Story Time that day. If schools are closed, the Library may or may not be open, but programs will be cancelled.**

**The Baby-Toddler Story Time** is designed for newborns through the 2's. It consists of short stories, nursery rhymes, fingerplays, music, and puppets! It is 25 – 30 minutes of a lot of activity! It is held on Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11 AM. **It will begin on January 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be no Story Time on February 25<sup>th</sup> or April 28<sup>th</sup>. The Story Times will run through May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**Pre-School Story Times** will be held on Wednesdays from 1:30 – 2 PM and Thursdays at 10:30 – 11 AM. **They will begin on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> and run through May 20<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be no Story Times on February 26<sup>th</sup>, February 27<sup>th</sup>, April 29<sup>th</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Kindergarten Club!** This program is held on Wednesdays from 3 – 3:45 PM. It includes a snack, stories and a craft. **It will begin on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and run through May 20<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited. There will be no Kindergarten Club on February 26<sup>th</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**The After School Story Time for 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> graders** is held on Tuesdays. The program will run from 3 – 3:45 PM **beginning January 14<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited. There will be no Story Times on February 25<sup>th</sup> or April 28<sup>th</sup>.** The last Story Time will be on **May 19<sup>th</sup>.**

#### Book Discussion Group!

**The Novel Ideas 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion Group** meets (usually) on the third Wednesday of the month from 6: 30 – 7:15 PM. Mark your calendars for January 15<sup>th</sup> (*Dry* by Neil Schusterman) and February 19<sup>th</sup> (*TBA*). New members are always welcome!

## **Special Programs!**

### **Yoga!**

The schedule is as follows:

**K – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Thursdays, January 9<sup>th</sup> and February 6<sup>th</sup>, from 4 – 4:45 PM

**Ages 2 – 5 with a parent or caregiver:** Fridays, January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30-11 AM. Please sign up for each class individually in advance as space is limited.

### **LEGO Club!**

LEGO Club will be held on **Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 4:45 PM** for children in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The LEGO bricks will be provided (but stay in the Library!) Come ready to use your imagination! Each program has its own sign up. You can sign up by calling, emailing [hamptonfalls.librarykids@gmail.com](mailto:hamptonfalls.librarykids@gmail.com) or stopping in the Library. **Please note, this is not a program that children should take the bus to the Library.**

### **Summer Reading Program!**

Yes! I have already begun planning for the Summer Reading Program! If you or your company would like to fully or partially sponsor one of the Wednesday evening performance programs or special weekday programs that I am planning, please let me know. No amount is too small (or too large)! All donations to the program are very much appreciated. Please feel free to stop in or call me if you have any questions.

Thanks to all for your support of our many Library activities! Here's to a wonderful New Year!

-Leah Knowlton  
Youth Services Librarian