

Library News for July-August, 2019

“Summer is the annual permission slip to be lazy. To do nothing and have it count for something. To lie in the grass and count the stars. To sit on a branch and study the clouds.”

Regina Brett

Summer Reading for Adults:

Patrons aged high school and up are welcome and encouraged to participate in the summer reading program for adults. For each book you read, you earn a raffle ticket which can be placed in the prize bucket of your choice. As in previous years, local merchants have very generously donated prizes in the form of gift cards. We want to thank those businesses who have provided a wealth of prizes: Coastal Living Paint and Hardware, Hampton Falls Village Market, Dodge’s Agway, Quicksilver Fine Jewelry, The Old Salt Restaurant, Drinkwater Flowers, Carolyn Fusco, Licensed Massage Therapist, Sweet Snips Family Hair Salon, Natural Oils for Health-Yoga for Life, Emmelynn’s Family Farm Market, KB Dance, Native Coffee & Kitchen, Krystal Ballroom Dance Studio, and The HERB FARMcacy. We appreciate their support and hope you will shop at these fine establishments. All raffle tickets will automatically be entered in a grand prize drawing of a \$100 gift certificate to Water Street Books sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The adult program will run all summer from **June 19** through **August 16**. Last year, a record-setting 105 adults read 595 books. Can we exceed that number this summer?

Museum Passes:

The Library offers passes for free or discounted admission to a number of area museums: Strawberry Banke in Portsmouth, The American Independence Museum in Exeter, The Currier Museum in Manchester, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, The Fells Historic Estates and Gardens, Historic New England, the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord, NH State Parks and the Wright Museum of World War II in Wolfeboro. Call or visit the Library to sign out a museum pass.

Backpacks and Telescope:

In addition to books, eBooks, movies, magazines, and books on CD, the Library now offers three backpacks filled with gear to take on a hike to the mountains, to the seacoast or a bird walk. Check out a backpack just like a book. If you would like to view the night sky, check out our telescope with your library card!

Cookbook Club:

The Cookbook Club will be meeting on **Saturday, August 3 at 12 Noon**. Instead of a cookbook, we will be handing out packets of herbs or spices from The Spice Alliance in advance of the meeting. Choose a packet and make a dish featuring the herb or spice. Be adventurous with lavender, coriander powder or smoked paprika! New members are always welcome.

Book Group for Grownups:

The group will travel to Korea **July 25** with Lisa See's historical fiction [The Island of Sea Women](#). This compelling novel tells the story of a women's diving collective on an island off the coast of Korea. These extraordinary women dive to great depths in cold water to harvest shellfish and provide for their families. In the meantime, the political situation in Korea deteriorates as Korea is occupied by Japan and then the United States.

On **August 22**, the group will read [Rocket Boys](#) by Homer Hickam in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the moon launch. In a coal mining town in West Virginia in 1957, a group of teenage boys watch the Soviet satellite *Sputnik* streak across the sky and dream of a better life.

The group meets on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. In August, the group will meet one week earlier on August 22 due to a scheduling conflict. Copies of the books are available at the Library and new members are always welcome.

Fabulous Friends:

The Friends of the Library are helping us celebrate summer with financial support for youth and adult programs and prizes. Specifically, they have sponsored the visit from the Center for Wildlife with their program **Owls: Silent Hunters of the Night** on **July 18** as well as additional prizes for children and the \$100 gift certificate from Water Street Books for the adult summer reading grand prize. The Library appreciates their unending support. The Friends generally meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting is August 7. New members are always welcome.

Holiday Closing:

Happy Birthday, America! The Library will close at **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 3** and remained closed on **Thursday, July 4**.

Book Sale:

August is the time of year for which many of you have been waiting. Beginning **August 1**, the Library will start accepting donations of gently used books for our annual Book Sale scheduled for **September 21**. We will accept books until **September 14**. Please recycle your encyclopedias and textbooks as we really cannot sell them. Thank you for understanding.

In Closing:

Best wishes from your local Library! You are always welcome to check out the new books and movies, attend a program, try a new craft, do a puzzle, use the computers, borrow a museum pass, borrow a backpack or telescope, join a book discussion, or have a cup of coffee and visit with your neighbors.

Barbara Tosiano, Library Director

LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES

Thank you to the wonderful Hampton Falls community for being so welcoming to me as I transition into my new position as Head of Youth Services. I have learned so much working with Carol Sanborn for the past three and a half years, and I am excited to jump right in!

Summer Reading!

The Hampton Falls Free Library invites children ages 3 through high school to enjoy “A Universe of Stories” summer reading program at the Library this summer. The program encourages reading for pleasure and participation in an exciting line-up of programs.

Program sign-ups for Children and Adults (both reading and events) will begin on Wednesday, June 19th from 5:30 – 7 PM. Come in for cake and to sign up for the reading and/or programs.

The FUN reading portion of the program will run through Friday, August 2nd. Learn more about the Treasure Chest, raffle drawings and the grand prize drawings held for ages 3 – 4th grade and grades 5 – 8. Children do not have to be signed up for the reading part of the program to attend the special events although we do encourage it!

Join us on these evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Please Note! *For programs held at the library there is limited seating available due to fire safety regulations. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis.*

Wednesday, June 26th Wildlife Encounters! You will meet and learn about a variety of wildlife. What animals are coming to visit? You’ll have to be there to find out! This event is sponsored in part by the Hampton Falls Boy Scouts. **This program will be held at the Hampton Falls Fire Safety Complex. Please bring your own chairs to sit on!**

Wednesday, July 10th Magician Peter Boie! Sure to amaze you! **This program will be held at the Hampton Falls Fire Safety Complex. Please bring your own chairs to sit on!**

Wednesday July 17th The Annual Talent Show! Please sign up if you would like to share a talent. No sign up required if you are just planning on attending and enjoying the program!

Wednesday, July 24th The Hampstead Stage Company performing “The Jungle Book.”

The Baby-Toddler Story Time will continue this summer. Please sign up in advance. This program is designed for newborns and toddlers through age 2 and consists of stories, songs, nursery rhymes and movement. The sessions run on **Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11 AM** and will

run from **June 18th through July 30th**. We will then take a break and the fall session start up time will be announced.

We also have a number of special programs:

Thursday, June 20th 10:30 – 11 AM Yoga! For ages 2 – 5 with parent/caregiver Please sign up in advance.

Thursday, June 20th 4 – 4:30 PM Science Magic with the Boston Museum of Science! This program is best suited for children ages 5 and older. Preschoolers are welcome to attend with their families. Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, June 25th 3 – 4 PM LEGO Club! For Grades K and up The Legos will be provided (but stay in the Library!) Come ready to use your imagination! Please sign up in advance.

Thursday, June 27th 4 – 4:30 PM Kids Can! Make a Difference for the SPCA All ages invited! The SPCA will be here with an animal friend. Make a difference by bringing an item to donate to the SPCA. A wish list is available at the Library. Please sign up in advance.

Wednesday, July 3rd 2:00– 4:00 PM Drop In Crafts Stop in anytime between these hours for craft fun!

Tuesday, July 9th 3:30 – 4:30 PM A Visit from Smokey Bear! Come help Smokey Bear celebrate his 75th birthday, and check out a wildland fire engine. **This program will be held at the Hampton Falls Fire Safety Complex. Please bring your own chairs to sit on!**

Thursday, July 11th 3:30 – 4:30 PM Musician Mr. Aaron! Please sign up in advance.

Funding for this Kids, Books and the Arts Event is provided by the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation, CHILIS, Cogswell Benevolent Trust, and is supported in part by a grant from the NH State Council on the Arts & the National Endowment for the Arts as well as funds administered by the NH State Library and provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Please inform the Library by June 21st if a sign language interpreter is needed.

Friday, July 12th 10:30 AM Movie and Popcorn A fun PG rated movie! Please stop in or check the Library web site to find out the title. Please sign up in advance.

Wednesday, July 17th 5 – 6 PM Pizza Party and Book Swap for 5th – 8th Graders Bring up to three books to swap as you enjoy pizza and discuss what you have been reading! New members are welcome. Please sign up in advance.

Thursday, July 18th 4:00 – 5:00 PM The Center For Wildlife presents Owls: Silent Hunters of the Night. Please sign up in advance. Sponsored by the Friends of the Hampton Falls Free Library.

Tuesday, July 23rd 3 – 4 PM LEGO Club! For Grades K and up. The Legos will be provided (but stay in the Library!) Come ready to use your imagination! Please sign up in advance.

Tuesday, July 30th 8:00 – 9:00 PM Family Sky Watch with the NH Astronomical Society. This program is presented in cooperation with Wiggin Memorial Library in Stratham, NH. The “cloud cover date” will be Thursday, August 1st.

I would like to give special thanks to:

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Happy Summer and Happy Reading!

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