**July 2007**

**Children’s Activities**
by Kristen Paradise

**Children’s Summer Reading Program**

**Reading Roadtrip USA!**

Get ready for a summer of great reading, programs and activities! Our theme is Reading Roadtrip USA and we will be “traveling” through the U.S. with stories, activities, games and prizes! It’s not too late to register for the summer reading program! Call or stop by! Story Time, Lullaby Lapsit, Toddler Time and the Craft Club are full, but there’s plenty of space to sign up for the Wednesday presentations and the Travel Log Pit Stop!

**Travel Club**—Read to win prizes! Come in for a Travel Log Pit Stop — every Friday and Saturday! Keep track of the minutes you read, or that someone reads to you. For every hour of reading time, you will win a prize!

**Library Roadtrip** is a new program developed by children’s librarians around the state to complement the theme of Reading Roadtrip USA. Drop by the children’s room to register and pick up a packet, license plate and map. Visit libraries around the state and get your license plate stamped. Come to a party on August 13 at 10 a.m. to share your travels!

**See Us In The Wikipedia!**


**Attention Nancy Drew Fans!**

While you enjoy reading one of our Nancy Drew mysteries by author Carolyn Keene, you may want to savor The Nancy Drew Movie Star Lemon Bars. These delectables are featured in the opening minutes of the new ND movie (released June 15). The recipe for these yummy summer fare delights can be found at http://www.nancydrew sleuth.com/drewblog.html

**Director’s Desk**

by Toni Weller

**Our Library’s History**

If you have anecdotes or oral history regarding Hills Memorial Library that you would like share, we would be pleased to record it for our archives. Please call Director Toni Weller at 886-6030 to make an appointment. Librarian Jerry Rice will be happy to visit you with a tape recorder if you prefer to share remembrances without having to leave the comfort of your home.

**Alvirne Summer Reading Help Session**

Offered This Summer

All incoming Alvirne High School Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors have been assigned mandatory summer reading books, *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck for Freshmen; *Ellen Foster* by Kaye Gibbons for Sophomores; and *The Things They Carried* by Tim O’Brien for Juniors. Thanks to a grant from the Park Street Foundation and Verizon Wireless, we are offering guided reading groups for students wanting help with these reading assignments. An English teacher will go over the entire book, explaining the story and vocabulary and helping with required assignments. Each group will meet once a week — Monday, Wednesday or Friday — August 6-17. Call 886-6030 extension 26 for more details and to pre-register for the program.

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**Summer Reading Program**

**June 25 To August 25**

(Agent & Youth Services)

Why should kids have all the fun? Join our Read for Rewards adult summer reading program. From June 25 – August 25 get a raffle ticket for every library book you read or listen to. There will be weekly drawings for prizes from local merchants and restaurants. Everyone participating will receive a coupon for a free book at our Friends of the Library book sale.

**Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarship Award**

The Friends Of The Library are pleased to announce the recipients of the Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarship to two graduating seniors. On June 4 at the Alvirne High School Scholarship Dinner, Christine Shaw presented Joshua Tracey with a $500 award and Nathan Miller with a $250 award. Congratulations and best wishes to these two grads!
Adult & Youth Services
by Amy Friedman

Middle & High School Students
Pages for Prizes Raffle
Now - August 25

Keep a reading log, get a raffle ticket for each book (over 80 pages) read. Get bonus tickets for longer books (200-400 pages, 1 ticket, 400-600, 2 tickets, etc.) Get two bonus tickets for reading a book on your summer reading list. The first raffle drawing will be at the summer reading program finale, July 26. Final raffle drawing, August 25. Prizes include free tickets to area attractions, sporting events, store coupons and more.

PLUS:
Read 1 Book and register for the program, get candy
Read 5 Books. Get a coupon for a free Dairy Queen treat
Read more books, get more prizes!

Middle & High School Students
Thursday Fun
Come to the library Thursday evenings through July 26 for special activities. There will be refreshments and door prizes. Each participant will get raffle tickets. Pre-registration is requested. You can call or register in person. There may be rooms for walk-ins but call the library in advance to be sure, some programs have limited space. Check With The Library For Program Location. Some May be moved To The Recreation Center If Crowds Are Large.

Origami
7 P.M.— 8:30 P.M., July 5
You’ll be amazed at the things you can make from a simple piece of paper. Join us for a night of paper folding projects.

Duct Tape Doings
7 P.M.— 8:30 P.M., July 12
Come learn how to make all kinds of things out of duct tape, wallets, purses, shoes, frames and more. We will have a variety of colors to choose from.

Harry Potter Wizard School
7 P.M.— 8:30 P.M., July 19
Join master wizard Glen Walant as he demonstrates some of his more powerful spells. He will then teach the assembled students how to do a few tricks of their own. One lucky wizard in training will win a copy of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows (to be picked up on Saturday when it is available for sale).

DJ Games & Pizza Party and Reader’s Raffle
6:30 P.M.— 8:30 P.M., July 26
This is held at the Recreation Center next to H.O. Smith School. Pizza, ice-cream, Limbo, Freeze Dance, music games and more. Prizes for everyone and, best of all, our first Reader’s Raffle of the summer. Winners at the party get first pick of prizes.

Afternoon Book Discussion:
Kitchen Confidential: Adventures In The Culinary Underbelly
by Anthony Bourdain
On July 17 at 1:30 p.m. we will be discussing Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly. Anthony Bourdain’s behind the scenes look at life in a big city restaurant kitchen. Books are available in Annex II. Call 886-6030 extension 26 for more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list.

Evening Book Discussion:
One Thousand White Women
by Jim Fergus
We will be holding a book discussion on Tuesday, July 24 at 7 p.m. We will be discussing the historical novel One Thousand White Women by Jim Fergus, based on a true story of a treaty that sent white brides to Cheyenne warriors to promote peace between peoples. Evening Book Discussion Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Books are available at the library. For more information call 886-6030 extension 26.

PlayReading Circle: Rumors
by Neil Simon
The Playreading Circle will meet on July 17 at 6:30 p.m. We will be reading aloud the Neil Simon comedy Rumors. The play tells the tale of four couples meeting to celebrate their friends’ anniversary and arrive to find the husband bleeding, the wife missing and no signs of a party. Playreading Circle meets most months on the third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. call to confirm the date or check our website www.hillsml.lib.nh.us. Call Amy Friedman at 886-6030 extension 26 for more information.

Twilight
by Stephanie Meyer wins both statewide teen book awards
New Hampshire has two statewide reader’s choice awards for teens, the Isenglass Award where 7th and 8th grade students nominate books and vote on their favorite from the finalists, and the Flume Award, a similar award picked by high school students. In 2007 both the Isenglass and Flume Awards went to the same book, Twilight, by Stephanie Meyer. It is a love story and a vampire story blended into one. It is the story of Bella who comes to live with her father and meets an incredibly handsome boy for whom she feels an overwhelming attraction and who, she comes to realize, is not wholly human. You can find Twilight and the sequel, New Moon in the Young Adult section of the library.

In The Spotlight
Looking for reliable information on general health and fitness topics? Tufts Health & Nutrition Letter features well-researched easy-to-read articles on topics such as lowering your cholesterol level and risk for heart disease, tips on training for a marathon, defending yourself from liver cancer and the new U.S. dietary guidelines. Tufts Health and Nutrition Letter can be found in the periodical section in the Annex.

Don’t Be Late!
If you would like to be notified before your library books are overdue, be sure to give us your e-mail address. You will automatically be notified via e-mail when materials are due and you may either renew them online via your patron account, call the library, or return them that day without incurring a fine.

FACTOID
Over 900 people per month, on average, use Hills Memorial Library’s free Internet service.

Hot New Books
The Overlook. Michael Connelly
Double Take. Catherine Coulter
A Thousand Splendid Suns. Khaled Hosseini
The Good Guy. Dean Koontz
The Road. Cormac McCarthy
(Opera book club pick)
Invisible Prey. John Sandford

Hot New Audio Books (Books also available)
Blaze. Richard Bachman
The Sleeping Doll. Jeffrey Deaver
On Chesil Beach. Ian McEwan
Spare Change. Robert Parker
The Bourne Betrayal. Eric Van Lustbader

The Quill Awards
These awards are a "consumer-driven award created to inspire reading while promoting literacy." The first award ceremony was broadcast on NBC on October 11, 2005; it is planned to be an annual award.

The 2007 nominees can be found at http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/19051684/ or at the Quills website http://www.thequills.org/.

There are nominees in 19 categories. Check them out at Hills Memorial Library.

Library Lawn Sale
Save this date on your calendar. On Saturday, August 11, Hills Memorial Library will hold a lawn sale from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., weather permitting. If you wish to rent space, contact Linda Kipnes at 881-9128.