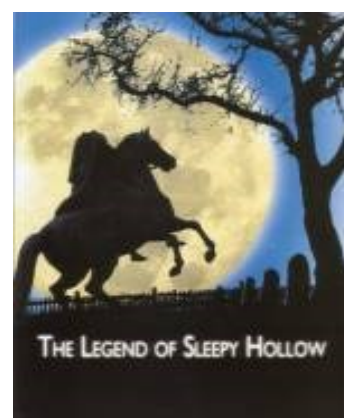


HILLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

by Betsy Martel

Children's Room

Fall is here and a new session of children's programming is under way! We have 30 3-5 year olds enjoying *Story Time* each week, 12 2 year olds exploring stories and crafts in *Toddler Time* and 15 babies and caregivers moving, shaking and making music in *Lullaby Lapsit* every week.

New this fall: "Don't Judge a Book by its Cover Gang" for grades 4-5, will include all kinds of books, book discussions, reading and games. Kids will be introduced to old favorites, classics, new fiction, genres and much more. There's plenty of room in this program, be sure to sign up to explore what the library has to offer!

Homeschool Story Times: Small Adventures and *Story Explorers* still have space left for your child! Sign 3-6 year olds up for games, books and activities, while 7-12 year olds learn to use the library, research and enjoy books!

This fall *Craft Days* on Saturdays will be every Saturday beginning September 15th. Join Miss Megan to make or take home one of her crazy creations every week!

Halloween is coming and that means the *Little Goblin's Parade!* Dressed in their cutest costumes, little ones ages 3 and up will enjoy a story and parade through the library, town hall and fire station! *Little Goblin's Parade* is Friday October 26th at 1pm. Call to register!

Family Fun Night will not be held in October, instead there will be three *Family Fun Nights* in November. Join us to hear the selections chosen by the State Library's *Center for the Book* for the *Lady-*

bug Book Award! November 1, 8, and 15 we will read the stories, play games and do activities. On November 15th kids through grade 3 will vote for their favorite!

Programs

Story Time: Ages 3-5 : Monday or Thursday 10:00 a.m.

Stories, crafts and puppet fun!

Toddler Time: Age 2 : Friday 9:30 a.m.

Toddler sizes stories and activities!

Lullaby Lapsit: Ages birth-23 months : Friday 11:00 a.m.

Movement, stories, songs and more for babies.

Family Fun Night: Ages 3-3rd grade : Third Thursday each month, 6:30 p.m.

Themed evening *Story Time* for families and fun!

Don't Judge a Book by its Cover Gang. Grades 4-5 : Tuesday 3:30 p.m.

All about books! Explore many types of fiction, both old and new!

Homeschool Programs

Small Adventures: Ages 3-6 : 2nd and 4th Wednesday 10:00am

Story Time for homeschooled kids with crafts and activities.

Story Explorers: Ages 7-12 : 2nd and 4th Wednesday 10:00am

Library skills, book discussions and more.

*For all registered programs:

Missing two consecutive weeks without calling to keep your place, means we must call the next person on the waiting list. Those waiting have first opportunity to register for the new session. All participants must re-register for each new session.

*Check out our Children's web page: www.hillsml.lib.nh.us/childrens.asp

DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

The Audies

And the Winners Are...

The Audies® is sponsored by the Audio Publishers Association (APA) and is the only awards program in the US recognizing distinction in audio books and spoken word entertainment.

Enjoy a multimedia sampler of sound clips of the winners and finalist by going to www.theaudies.com.

To get a full text list of winners in all categories click on the APA sidebar. HML has most of the winning titles in our collection and we will be happy to get other titles for you via ILL.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Harvest Fest October 6

Stop by the Friends tent where 'T-shirt' Pete Duquette from Litchfield will be available to autograph his unique 'Read the Trees' T-shirts. He has added designs for two towns to his collection, Pelham and Windham, and has created a brand NEW design for Hudson as well as New Hampshire and America. Pete generously donates a portion of each sale to the Library Building Fund.

Two items featuring a design of the Library by Hudson artist (and Friend of the Library member), Janice Walsh, will be sold with proceeds going to the Friends' Scholarship Fund. The green sun-catchers are hand pressed out of recycled glass at Old Hancock Glassworks in Antrim, N.H. Each piece is assured to be unique in shape, clarity, and color.

Janice's artwork also decorates the new canvas tote bags.

Second Hand Prose October 14 Second Hand Prose to raise money for Scholarships

With students back at school and high school seniors preparing college applications, the Friends have decided to designate the proceeds of both the October and November used book sales at *Second Hand Prose* to the Leonard A. Smith Scholarship Fund. The October 14 sale will feature Mystery, Horror and Halloween books, while cookbooks and craft books will be specially priced on November 11. *Second Hand Prose* is open from 12-3 on the second Sunday of each month at 49 Ferry Street.

Proceeds from all sun catchers and tote bags sold during October and November will benefit the Friends Scholarship Fund.

Since 2002, the Friends have awarded Scholarships to 11 Hudson high school seniors.

If you are Fall cleaning and have books to donate to the Friends used book sales, you may leave them at the Library during regular library hours.

Free Computer Workshops

Pre-register in person or call 886-6030, extension 21. (Ψ=Mouse & keyboarding skills needed for this workshop.)

October 10, Wednesday
Homework Helpers 3 p.m.

October 18, Thursday Ψ
Consumer Health Online 10:30 a.m.

November 8, Thursday Ψ
Introduction to Microsoft
Publisher 10:30 a.m.

November 15, Thursday Ψ
Genealogy Online 10:30 a.m.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

October Is Family History Month

Who Are We?

Family History Month is upon us! Fall is the beginning of “family times” – holidays, cooking, visits, football, and changing leaves – all things that make us think about our family, and the upcoming times we will spend with them. October was officially designated Family History Month in 2001 through a bill passed by the Senate.

If you ever get the feeling that your interest in family history isn't a main stream interest, think again. Millions of people search for their ancestors every year. Researching your family is a very essential element of one's identity. It can lead to long-sought-after family reunions or a life-saving medical treatment that only genetic links will allow.

Starting your family history can be inspiring, and you can begin your research by stopping by the library. We have a great collection of local genealogical material with over 200 town histories, Hudson Town Reports, yearbooks, and plenty of how-to books. Come in and try out our three online genealogy databases. Not sure where to start? Sign up for our free online genealogy workshop and learn a few tips for navigating through these sites. No excuses now ...and we are glad to help. For more information, call the main desk at 886-6030, extension 21. **HAPPY HUNTING!**

Teen Week Read

We invite you to stop by and pick up a book to *Read for the Fun of It*. Some of the current non-fiction books for teens are:

Digital Photo Madness! 50 Weird & Wacky Things to Do with Your Digital Camera.

Perfectly Secret: The Hidden Lives of Seven Teen Girls.

Live Aware, Not in Fear – The 411 after 911: A Book for Teens.

Haunted New Hampshire.

Dog Days: Dispatches from Bedlam Farm.

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

Celebrate Teen Read Week – LOL! @ Your Library

October 14-20 is Teen Read Week and teens all over America are invited to *Laugh Out Loud! @ Your Library*. Come by the library



to borrow books, films and graphic novels that will make you laugh. We have everything from *The Simpsons* to *Napoleon Dynamite*. Any middle or high school students who stop by Annex II during this week will receive a treat and a ticket for a chance to win a prize each time they visit. Any middle or high school students bringing their overdue materials to the circulation desk during that week will not be charged overdue fines for those materials.

The Big Read: New Hampshire Reads Fahrenheit 451 Hills Memorial Library will Participate in National Reading Project

This month over 60 libraries, schools, and bookstores throughout the state will hold programs related to Ray Bradbury's classic novel of censorship and book burning as part of *The Big Read: New Hampshire Reads Fahrenheit 451* a project that encourages citizens to join together as a community to read and discuss a single book for pleasure and enlightenment.

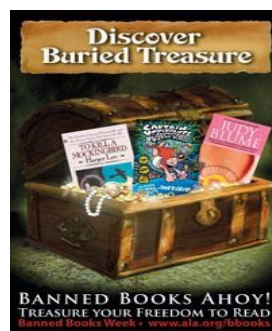
Hills Memorial Library will be holding book discussions relating to themes in this book on October 16 at 1:30 p.m. and on October 23 at 7 p.m. Along with discussing the book itself, we will be asking people to tell us which book would you save from the flames and why. You are also invited to submit your response to this question on bigreadnh.blogspot.com. Books, and an audio CD introduction to the book are available for borrowing in Annex II. There are also free reader's guides to the book while supplies last.

Details on all of New Hamp-

shire's Big Read events will be available at <http://bigreadnh.blogspot.com> and will also be included, along with those of the other participating communities around the country at www.neabigread.org.

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest. *The Big Read: New Hampshire Reads Fahrenheit 451* is a project of the Center for the Book at the New Hampshire State Library in partnership with the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

Celebrate Banned Books Week September 29 – October 6



Banned Books Week reminds Americans not to take their precious democratic freedom of expression for granted. During *Banned Books Week* and all through the month check out events that highlight the topic of censorship at our library and throughout the state as part of *The Big Read: New Hampshire Reads Fahrenheit 451*

Check Out A Chiller!

Come check out our collection of horror books and films to put you in the mood for Halloween.

Afternoon & Evening Book Discussions

The afternoon book discussion group on Tuesday October 16 at 1:30 p.m. and the evening book discussion group on October 23 at 7 p.m. will both be participating in *The Big Read: New Hampshire Reads Fahrenheit 451* We will also discuss the topic “**What book would you save from the flames?**” Free reader's guides are available in Annex II.

Next month both the afternoon and evening book groups will be reading Sarah Gruen's story of a young man's life in a depression

era circus *Water for Elephants* the book that has become a word of mouth must-read.

The afternoon book discussion group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. and the evening book discussion group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Books are available at the library. For more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list call 886-6030 extension 26.

Playreading Circle October 16

The Playreading Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 16 to read aloud *Equus* by Peter Shaffer, the story of a disturbed young man who commits a horrible crime. Multiple copies of play scripts will be available and participants can take on the roles of characters from the monthly play selection. You may also come and listen to the play reading by others. This is a wonderful chance to listen to great works of theatre come alive vocally, instead of just reading them on the page. 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.

Hot New Books Play Dirty Sandra Brown

You've Been Warned James Patterson

The Wheel of Darkness Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child



Bones to Ashes Kathy Reichs

The Choice Nicholas Sparks

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