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From the Director

Books, food and community were the hallmarks of NPL's BookFeast, a month-long series of community events to support the Library. Fourteen different events took place over the month and 759 people participated. People dined on pizza at our community dinner, ate crepes while walking to school, drank tea while discussing the classics, enjoyed a fresh sandwich at our luncheon lectures and munched on popcorn during the movie series. BookFeast culminated with a cocktail party and auction of edible books and vacation stays. I'm happy to report that over \$13,000 was raised during *BookFeast*. These funds will support our collections budget.

We learned a great deal during *BookFeast*: that the streets of Norwich are busy, even at 5:45 AM, that there *is* an audience for lunch lectures, and that cilantro and carrot pizza tastes delicious. We also were reminded that the Norwich community is a generous one. Many people donated their time and energy to make sure *BookFeast* was a success. I'd especially like to thank the *BookFeast* committee for their high energy, creative spirit and ability to ask, ask and ask again! Thank you to Lisa Cadow, Lisa Christie, David Macaulay, Kathy Menard, Ruthie Murray, Beth Ryan, and Ann Waterfall.

Everyone should have received our annual appeal letter (if not, it will be in your mailbox shortly). It may seem odd that I've just touted our *BookFeast* success and am still talking about fundraising. As a non-profit, our operating funds come from a variety of sources. Besides the town appropriation, the Library relies on special fundraisers like *BookFeast* as well as our Annual Appeal. This year's Annual Appeal goal is \$47,000, up from \$43,000 last year. All donations are tax-deductible. Consider a donation in honor of a family member or friend...a fitting tribute?

ListenUp Vermont! Our downloadable audiobook service will need to change its name after e-books are added in January! Look for more information about this new collection addition. The Library is in the process of purchasing two Nook e-book readers for the library. They will be available for check-out in January as well.

From all of us at the Library best wishes to you and yours for a happy and healthy holiday season!

Lucinda

LIBRARY NEWS

Happy
Holidays

Please note the following holiday hours:
Closed Friday, December 24th and 25th
Closing at 3:00 PM Friday, December 31st
Closed Saturday, January 1st, 2011.

1st Wednesdays
 Humanities Lecture Series

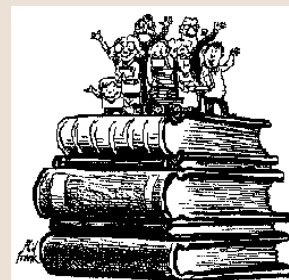
Wednesday, January 5th @ 7:00 PM
Congregational Church
Free & open to the public

“Einstein’s Century: 1905–2005” ~ In 1905, at the age of twenty-six, Einstein published five papers that laid the foundation of modern physics. Middlebury professor Susan Watson explores the nearly mythical influence of one of the century’s greatest thinkers. A program of the Vermont Humanities Council co-hosted by Norwich Historical Society and Norwich Public Library.

Friends of the Norwich Public Library



Looking forward to our Mud Season Book Sale this spring! Please come to our **Saturday, December 4th** meeting at **10:00 AM** in the Community Room. We’re a congenial, dedicated group looking for like-minded folks to join us in supporting our Library. Join Ann, Kenneth, Susan, Jean, Erica and Martha.



Reading, listening and watching by NPL Staff



Beth

Sunset Park by Paul Auster
The Nobodies Album Audiobook
Griffin and Phoenix DVD
Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix DVD
How to Train a Dragon DVD

Lucinda

My Life in France by Julia Child
Moonlight Mile by Dennis Lehane
Life by Keith Richards
Strangers at the Feast by Jennifer Vanderbes
Last Orders (LUV) DVD

Stephanie

The Wordy Shipmates by Sarah Vowell
Assassination Vacation by Sarah Vowell

Stephanie continued

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie CD
The Passage by Justin CD
The Brutal Telling by Louise Penny CD
Children of Invention DVD
Tampopo DVD
The Wire, Season 1 DVD

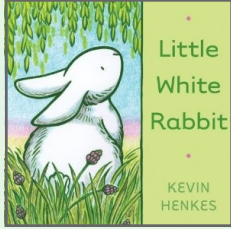
Tina

A Child’s Delight by Noel Perrin
Running the Books by Avi Steinberg
Gourmet Rhapsody by Muriel Barbery CD
Turtles Can Fly DVD

Wendy

At Home by Bill Bryson

CHILDREN'S NEWS



A New Year with New Books

2011 promises to be exciting, with many new books headed to our shelves. With additions to the "Dear America" and "Just Grace" series, not to mention the "Little White Rabbit" picturebook by Kevin Henkes, the year is off to a great start! Yet there are so many things to be excited about that are already in the Library. Watch next month for the round-up of our Favorite Things from 2010.



Have You Read It, Yet?

In **January** we'll be hosting a book discussion around the **Vermont Reads** title, *Day of the Pelican* by Katherine Paterson (geared towards kids in 6th grade and up). We've distributed 75 copies of this book into the community, so ask a friend or neighbor to read their copy when they've finished. Once you've finished, pass it on and reserve a spot at one of our events to discuss your thoughts.

Calling All Knitters

We're knitting again and we'd love to have kids in 3rd grade and up join us on **Friday afternoons from 3:30—5:00 PM**. We've begun making hand warmers for some of the patients at DHMC. There are several patterns to choose from, ranging from Easy to Moderate to Takes Concentration. But all knitters, beginners and experienced alike, are welcome to join us. If you'd still like to contribute, but can't make it on Friday afternoons, just let us know.

Gifts and stocking stuffers for everyone on your list

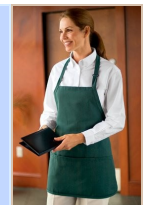
SHOP LOCAL ~ FREE PARKING ~ TAX FREE ~ SUPPORT NPL



Tiny book lights to brighten up your book while reading in bed or cozy in your chair ~ \$5



BookFeast bib aprons imprinted with our BookFeast logo ~ \$15



NPL's coffee/tea pottery mug to accompany a special book ~ \$5



NPL travel mugs keeps your coffee/tea hot while on the go ~ \$5



NPL's large blue bag for groceries, gift wrap, carrying books to and from NPL ~ \$2.50



Art Exhibit

Abby Trotter's exhibit, *Vibrant Life*, features artwork in acrylics, pastels, water-colors and pen and ink. Abby's artwork draws upon images of flora and fauna, urban landscapes, and portraiture. Her use of vibrant color brings her subjects to life. The exhibit runs through Thursday, December 30th.



Display Cases

Don't miss the Norwich Historical Society's exhibit at the NPL this December: ***Warm up to History: Norwich Embraces Winter***. This mini exhibition draws upon some of the Historical Society's treasures—old and new—to explore how the people of Norwich have kept warm, thrived and enjoyed winter. Come learn about Norwich's winter Olympians, find out what ice-creepers are, see memorabilia from Norwich's Altow Ski area and learn about the many ways people had fun in winter.

Children's Programs

Word Play



Stories, songs, rhymes and fingerplays for kids 0-3 and their caregivers.

Wednesdays at 10:30-11:00 AM

December 8	Hats, Boots & Gloves
December 15	Christmas is Coming
December 22	PLAYGROUP ONLY
December 29	PLAYGROUP ONLY

Lunch at the Library

Stories and songs for kids 3-8 and their caregivers.

Fridays at 11:30-12:15

Bring a lunch & make a craft!



December 3	Light the Lights
December 10	Let it Snow, Snow, Snow
December 17	A Very Merry to You
December 24	LIBRARY CLOSED
December 31	PLAYGROUP ONLY

Bedtime Storytime to be held in March

We had such a great time at our Storytime under the stars this summer. We'll have a special bedtime storytime again in March—complete with hot cocoa and marshmallows. Kids are welcome to come and listen to stories in their jammies. Mark the calendar for the **first Thursday in March (2011) at 7:00 PM**. Hope to see you then!

Due Dates

~ 4 weeks for many items

~ 2 weeks for new items with red dot,

CDs, Interlibrary Loans, and magazines

~ 1 week for videos and DVDs & Discovery

Packs; 3 days for Museum Passes

Fines

~ 5¢ per day for most items

~ 50¢ per day for videos, DVDs, Discovery

Packs & Interlibrary Loans, Museums Passes

Bookmark

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Hours

Monday	1:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Tuesday	10:00 AM – 5:30 PM
Wednesday	10:00 AM – 5:30 PM
Thursday	10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Friday	10:00 AM – 5:30 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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