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From the Director

One of the most enjoyable and rewarding aspects to working in a library is being able to recommend books (and increasingly, audiobooks and movies) to patrons. This service is known in library speak as “reader’s advisory.” In large public libraries it is an actual and coveted library position. Here at NPL, all staff members and volunteers participate in reader’s advisory.

Everyone on staff likes to read different subjects. Nancy loves science fiction, Lisa is a fiction fanatic, I adore mysteries and memoirs, Stephanie loves politics and literature, Wendy enjoys fiction and biography and Beth enthusiastically reads everything! When it comes to recommending titles, usually one of us can come up with a list of things to add to your night side table or suitcase.

There are other resources available that offer book recommendations. The nearest and dearest to most librarian’s hearts is *Book Lust* and *More Book Lust* by Seattle librarian, Nancy Pearl. Pearl organizes her recommendations into thematic lists. List examples include, “Fiction for Foodies”, “Best for Teens”, “Time Travel”, “Les Crimes Noir” and “Cat Crazy.” Highly entertaining in their own right, these two books will surely offer up a suggestion or three! Our website’s “Reader’s Advisory or What to Read Next” page features links to award winning titles and reader’s guides.

Another favorite website is “The Reader’s Café” sponsored by the Montgomery County (MD) Public Library < <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/libraries/readerscafe>>. Each month features a different topic. This month it’s “Beach Book Back List.” The Morton Grove (IL) Public Library has an electronic mailing list devoted to fiction. Go to <<http://www.webrary.org/rs/flmenu.html>> to subscribe.

In the spirit of fostering communication and community in the library, Stephanie is creating a new “Norwich Recommends” area. We want to know what you’d recommend if someone asked, “what’s good?” What have you read, watched or listened to that really made an impact? Let the NPL community know!

Summer has certainly had a soggy start. Let’s hope the sun soon makes an extended appearance!

Lucinda



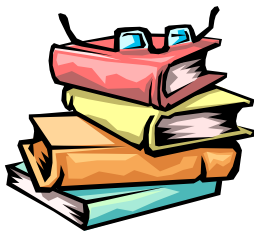
Volunteers Wanted!

NPL is looking for summer volunteers! We have openings in working the circulation desk, or in wrapping, mending, or shelving books. It's a great way to get an overview of the collection and work with some delightful people.

For more information, call Volunteer Coordinator Stephanie Smith.



The Friends of Library are once again sponsoring a bingo tent at the Norwich Fair on Friday, July 7 from 7-10pm. and Saturday, from July 8 from 1-10pm. Volunteers are needed for everything from calling bingo numbers to collecting money. Please sign up for shifts at the Library.



Please check out a book and enjoy an afternoon on our newly re-seeded grass in the backyard. Benches and a picnic table are available for lunch and a book.

WHAT THE STAFF IS READING

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Lucinda

Grief by Andrew Holleran
A Family Daughter by Maile Meloy
Reading Lolita in Tehran by Azar Nafisi

Stephanie

Armed Madhouse by Greg Palast

Beth

That Summer in Paris by Abha Dawesar
Digging to America by Anne Tyler
Peter and the Shadow Thieves by Dave Barry

Wendy

Turkish Reflections by Mary Lee Settle

WHAT THE STAFF IS LISTENING TO

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Lucinda

Babe: the Sheepdog by Dick King-Smith. The narration is first-rate!
Brooklyn Follies by Paul Auster

Beth

Harry and the Potters—all three of their CDs are in high rotation at our house

Stephanie

Lies and the Lying Liars Who Tell Them by Al Franken

WHAT THE STAFF IS WATCHING

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Lucinda

Born into Brothels

Beth

Zathura
The *Electric Company* boxed set. Talk about a blast from the past. My whole family enjoyed watching



Royal Readers, Come Visit The Kingdom of Read-A-Lot

Wow! This summer has gotten off to a great start. As of this writing 125 kids have signed up for the Summer Reading Program. Some of those kids are over 12 years of age and received information about Library Quest, a program that allows them to earn 9 stamps for reading and answering questions from specific scavenger hunts. Each time they complete 9 stamps their name is entered in a statewide drawing for 1 of 2 iPods. For anyone under 12 we've got "The Realms of Reading" program. Each child fills out a contract and pledges to read over the summer. If they read as many books as they originally pledge they receive a coupon from King Arthur Flour and a chance to win some fantastic prizes. Prizes include: "The Chronicles of Narnia" DVD, a CD from the band "Harry and the Potters", "The Princess Bride" DVD and the "Klutz Build Your Own Castle" card deck. To build on this Fantasy/Medieval theme we've got some fabulous events coming up:

Please Mark These Dates on Your Calendar:

Monday, July 10 at 6:30 PM An Evening Book Binding Workshope.

Kids 8 and up can come spend time with Lady Bookbinder Stephanie Wolff and make an Illuminated Journal. Small enough to fit in a pocket or squeeze into a backpack, this will be the perfect thing to carry along to record all the great summer moments. Or a place to keep track of all of the great books you're reading. Stop in to the Library to see a sample. You can reserve a workshope space then or call 649-1184.

Thursday, July 27 at 7:00 PM A Totally Harry Potter Evening.

Food, fun and games, a chance to dress up like your favorite wizard--what more could you ask for? Unless you'd also like a trivia contest that allows you to test your knowledge of all six books... Well look no further, because we'll have all that and more. You can also come and listen to Harry and the Potters on CD. We weren't able to host the band this summer on their tour of libraries across America, but I've hopes for a visit from them this Fall. Come experience their music, and see why some of us find their lyrics (which are based on incidents that happened in the books) so hard to get out of your head.

Friday, August 18 at 11:30 AM Red Wing Puppet Theater with Chuck Meese.

This event will mark the end of our Summer Program. Come celebrate with us and attend an amazing puppet show, the likes of which you may never have seen before. Chuck promises to awe and astound with a show for all ages. There will be something for everyone, including a time after the show to try out the puppets and ask Chuck questions. Mark your calendars because this is an EVENT YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS! For more details, visit <http://www.redwingpuppettheater.com>

Bogged down by Blogs?

A question for all the teens out there?—Do you get up in the morning excited to get to the computer? Is every new day a chance for you to catch up with someone via their blog? Or do you find that there aren't enough hours in the day for you to connect with everyone you need to in cyberspace? Either way, consider making a little time once a week to check out the Teen Page on our new website. I try to post something a few times each week, with regards to new acquisitions, events and general happenings here at the Library that might be of interest. Any special topics you'd like to see addressed just email me at: beth.reynolds@norwichlibrary.org

Art News

◆ Community Room

Jon Olsen displays his photography June through August with an opening reception on Friday, July 7 from 5-7pm. Jon has been involved in photography for over thirty years. He enjoys exploring the landscape and its components to find variation in light, form, texture and color. Preferring the light of the earliest and later parts of the day when the conditions usually create a more even light and a richer tonal qualities. He has exhibited in various publications as well as private organizations and galleries.

Children's Events

All children's events take place in the Community Room.

Word Play

Stories, songs, rhymes & fingerplay for kids 0-3 & their caregivers
Wednesdays 10:30 - 11:00 A.M.

- July 5 Fairy Magic
- July 12 A Dragon for a Pet?
- July 19 Under the Sea
- July 26 Hocus Pocus
- August 2 At the Castle

Lunch at the Library

Stories and songs for kids 3-6 and their caregivers
Bring a lunch and make a craft
Fridays 11:30-12:15

- July 7 Wee Folk of the Forest
- July 14 Daring Dragons
- July 21 A Crown of Seaweed
- July 28 Wizards, Witches & Wands
- August 4 Good-night Knight

Bedtime Storytime

Stories for all ages. Kids, come to the Library in your jammies.
Join us at 7:00 P.M. in the Children's Room. See you there!
July 6 and August 3, September 7

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Hours

Monday: 1-8pm
Tuesday: 10am-5:30pm
Wednesday: 10am-5:30pm
Thursday: 10am-8pm
Friday: 10am-5:30pm
Saturday: 10am-3pm

Due Dates

*4 weeks for many items
*2 weeks for new items with red dot, cassettes, interlibrary loans, and magazines
*1 week for videos and DVDs and Discovery Packs

Fines

*5¢ per day for most items
*50¢ per day for videos, DVDs, Discovery Packs & Inter-library Loans

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