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Norwich Public Library

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From the Director

Friends of library groups are very important to public libraries of all sizes, both large and small, urban and rural. As library advocates they work diligently to get the library's name "out there" and at the same time, raise money to support special programs and provide funding for materials the library budget doesn't cover. The Friends of the Norwich Public Library are a great example of how such a group makes a positive impact on the library and the community at large.

The Friends of NPL are a terrific group of folks. They are famous for their annual fundraisers, one of which, the very popular Mother's Day Plant sale, will be held May 10th & 11th. They hold two book sales a year, scoop out free ice cream at Old Home Day and host Bingo at the Norwich Fair. The Friends also sponsor a fall and spring book discussion group and host an annual volunteer appreciation party. This year the tireless efforts of our wonderful Friends group will provide: underwriting for the 2008 Summer Reading Program, sponsoring of the First Wednesday's lecture series beginning in October, paying for two author visits, and supporting our knitting club. They will also purchase a new *World Book Encyclopedia*, a membership pass to VINS (available for checkout), Dorothy Canfield Fisher audiobooks and the subscription for the library's *New York Times*.

Like most Friends groups they are always looking for new members and volunteers for events. They meet the first Saturday of every month at the library from 10AM–12PM, This is an energetic, creative and hardworking group and I encourage you to consider joining them.

In addition to thanking our Friends, we are also grateful to Duke's Art and Frame Shop for very generously re-matting and re-framing our Paul Sample watercolor. The painting will soon be on display again in the Library. Thanks also go to the Marion Cross School kindergarten classes who visited NPL last week and did an amazing job "greening up" our grounds. There was lots of raking, stick collecting and picking up of garbage. Thank you kids!

Lucinda

LIBRARY NEWS

Mother's Day Plant Sale

The Friends of NPL will be holding their annual Mother's Day Plant Sale on **Saturday, May 10th from 10-3PM and Sunday, May 11th from 10-2PM**. There will be a wide variety of hanging baskets, annuals and perennials available. All proceeds benefit NPL.

Spring Book Discussion Series continues

Co-hosted by the The Friends of the Norwich Public Library and the VT Humanities Council, the series theme is 'honor' and is held in the NPL Community Room. We have one dozen books of each title to check out. This is a well attended group and many interesting and substantial conversations take place at 7:30PM in the Community Room.

May 6 *The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton

June 17 *Nectar in a Sieve* by Kamala Markandaya

tuttifoodie.com Fundraiser a Success!

A big thank you goes out to all of you who signed up with tuttifoodie.com during this fundraiser. NPL just received a check for \$150.00! Keep your eyes open for future opportunities to indulge your appetite for delicious food and support NPL. We are very grateful to tuttifoodie.com for this unique partnership.

Listen Up! Vermont

Have you had a chance to download an audiobook yet? If not, head on over to www.listenupvermont.org and give it a try. New audiobooks are being added on a regular basis. If you have any problems please email me at lucinda.walker@norwichlibrary.org.

The staff is reading...

Lucinda

The Ten-Year Nap by Meg Wolitzer

Compulsion by Jonathan Kellerman

Satchel Paige by James Sturm and Rich Tommaso

Lisa

The Third Angel by Alice Hoffman

A Fraction of the Whole by Steve Toltz

The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Diaz

The Monsters of Templeton by Lauren Groff

The Palace of Illusions by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni

Beth

The Return of the Twelve by Pauline Clark

Beginner's Greek by James Collins

The Penderwicks on Gardam Street by Jeanne Birdsall

A Few Short Notes on Tropical Butterflies by John Murray

Stephanie

Under the Banner of Heaven by Jon Krakauer

Amsterdam by Ian McEwan

Wendy

Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson

The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen Covey

Tina

Given: New Poems by Wendell Berry

The Elements of Cooking by Michael Ruhlman

The staff is listening to...

Lucinda

The Appeal by John Grisham

Lisa

The Other Boleyn Girl by Philippa Gregory

Lean Mean Thirteen by Janet Evanovich (on Overdrive)

Stephanie

The Biography of the Bible by Karen Armstrong

Tina

Dog Years: A Memoir by Mark Doty

The staff is watching...

Lucinda

Gone Baby Gone

Earth Ponds

No Direction Home

Lisa

No Country for Old Men

Beth

Once

George and the Dragon

Stephanie

Foyle's War, Season 4

Tina

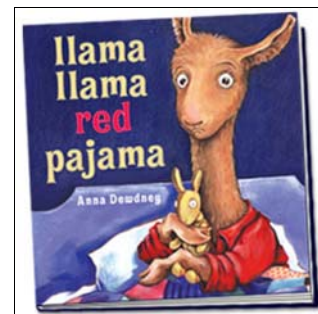
The Wild Parrots of Telegraph Hill

Mostly Martha

CHILDREN'S ROOM NEWS

Red-y or Not Here She Comes!

Visit us on Mother's Day Weekend! On **Saturday, May 10th at 11:00 AM**, kids (and their parents) are invited to join us for a presentation by author and illustrator, **Anna Dewdney**. She'll read from **Llama Llama Red Pajama**, do a little show and tell us how she creates such sweet, funny books. We'll finish with time for questions and a book signing. There will also be a number of her picture books available for sale. For details, please call 802-649-1184 or check our website at www.norwichlibrary.org. (Don't forget to pick up some flowers for Mom at **The Plant Sale**, being held on the front lawn Saturday and Sunday--sponsored by The Friends of NPL.)



This Just In:

Rules by Cynthia Lord is the winner of the 2008 DCF Award. Lord's book was chosen by students all across Vermont. To celebrate, a ceremony will be held at Vermont Technical College on date still to be decided. Wondering what next year's books will be? Kids in grades 4-6 can join us on **Thursday, May 22 at 3:30** for a preview of the new DCF list. Food and beverages will be provided, and the program will end with the kids participating in a **lottery** to check the books out.

Knit Happens on Fridays

Visit us on Friday afternoons and you'll hear the sounds of needles clicking (not to mention a little giggling and a few cries of "Help me, I dropped a stitch"). Kids in grades 3-6 have been meeting afterschool at the Library to work on our latest project-- hats for the **Afghans for Afghans** program. Stop by and say "Hi!" We would love it if you would stay and knit.

Join the Drink Pouch Brigade @ NPL!

To celebrate Earth Day NPL has joined up with TerraCycle (www.terracycle.com) to offer drink pouch recycling. Pouches are recycled into colorful and useful bags. For every 100 pouches that are collected, the library will receive \$2.00. Save the planet *and* support NPL! We will take any type of drink pouch (sorry, NO juice boxes). Just drop them off and NPL will do the rest.



Marion Cross School kindergarten class "greening up" our yard.

NPL CALENDAR

Program ~ Thursday, May 22 @ 7pm ~ The Enchantment of Egypt

Please join Carole Blake, Willy Black and Kit Griggs and experience a slideshow journey on the banks of the Mediterranean Sea in Alexandria. Travel south to Cairo and the Pyramids of Giza. Share a leisurely cruise on the Nile as you witness the temples, cultures of the past and marvel at the engineering wonders of the world.

Art ~ 12-Plus Painters ~ exhibit runs until June 26

The 12-Plus artists exhibit new work in watercolor, oil & pastel. Twenty years ago Bea Alexander, Nancy Dean, Martha Drake, Nan Green, Libby Gardner, Olive Pettengill & Gerry Searles began painting under the tutelage of Aidron Duckworth and since then have painted together weekly. The exhibit runs until June 26th.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS CALENDAR

Word Play

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

May 14 PLAYGROUP ONLY

May 21 Jammin' in the Jungle

May 28 Horns to Toes

June 4 When I Grow Up

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

May 9 Mom, You're the Best!

May 16 I Love Books

May 23 Monkeyin' Around

May 30 The Moose, The Mouse & Me

June 6 What Shall I Be?

Bedtime Storytime

Kids, come to the Library in your jammies for Storytime, on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00PM. Please join us on June 5 and July 3 in the Children's Room. See you there!

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Thursday: 10:00am-8:00pm
Friday: 10:00am-5:30pm
Saturday: 10:00am-3:00pm

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