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NORWICH PUBLIC LIBRARY

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From Lisa Milchman, Assistant Director

Here at the Library we have been experiencing an overall rise in circulation and the use of all services. One visible measure of this increased use has been the service of ILL (InterLibrary Loan). ILL is up 50% from last year in both requests from our patrons and requests to us from other Libraries. Consequently, the cost to us in postage has risen 33% (\$589 to \$882).

ILL is the system which allows libraries to temporarily expand their collections and provide for varied patron interests by borrowing from other institutions: libraries both public and academic, government and private agencies. While we have always been able to borrow books and periodicals, in recent years NPL's ILL service has expanded to include the ability to borrow non-print materials: audios, both CD and cassette, and videos in VHS and DVD formats. Due also to the generosity of many lending libraries in Vermont and our willingness to reciprocate we can now get materials with newer publication dates, often bestselling titles, within 3 months of their publication.

The most frequently asked question about ILL is *how long will it take?*

There is no real way to predict the time from submission of request to receipt of material. In about 3-5% of cases we cannot get the material and will let you know. Otherwise, depending on how involved the search is and the location of the material, it could take from a few days to a few months. Please let us know if you have a deadline. We encourage you to inquire about the status of your request if you have not been contacted within 2 weeks.

Due to the sharply increased volume of ILL requests, we would like to remind you to observe the following courtesies:

- pick up your requests promptly
- notify us if you no longer need the item
- return items on time or request renewal in a timely manner
- return your item in the same condition in which you received it
- ask for only as many items that you think you can use in a 2 week period (the usual ILL loan period)

Lastly, as the number of ILL requests increases and the cost of postage continues to rise we are asking that you consider making a donation to defer the cost of this service. The average postage of an ILL is \$2.50 per item.

We are always impressed with the good faith and generosity shown by libraries near and far when they send out their books and other materials. It is our pleasure to be able to provide this service for our patrons. As always, we welcome your comments and questions.

Library News

Mother's Day Weekend Plant Sale

Saturday, May 9th from 10 AM–3 PM and Sunday, May 10th from 10 AM–2 PM

The Friends of the Norwich Library have selected flowers of many varieties and colors that will delight your eyes and enhance your garden. Clear out your car or truck to make room for beautiful hanging baskets, pots and packs of annuals and perennials. All proceeds will support the library's collections and programs.

NPL Board of Trustees News

The Norwich Public Library Association Corporation elected three new trustees at their recent annual meeting. The new trustees are Mike Cahoon, Mary Otto and Beth Ryan. The Board elected the following officers: Barry Rotman, President, Ann Waterfall, VP, Mike Cahoon, Treasurer and Holly Westling, Secretary. The Board meets on the third Thursday of the month in the Library's Community Room. The public is welcome to attend.

Native American Water Jug Mystery

We are looking for information on the two Native American water jugs pictured below. They've been on display at NPL since the 1980s but we have no idea how they got here. If you know anything about these two beautiful pieces, please contact Lucinda at 649-1184.



What we are reading, listening to and watching

Lucinda

Netherland by Joseph O'Neill
When the Emperor was Divine by Julie Otsuka
Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout
Double Fudge by Judy Blume
The Devil and Daniel Johnstone, DVD
Meet the Parents, DVD

Lisa

Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell
Lowboy by John Wray
The Women by TC Boyle
The Believers by Zoe Heller
Prayers for Sale by Sandra Dallas
Milk, DVD
The Wire (through season 4), DVD

Beth

Little Bee by Chris Cleave
The Frozen Thames by Helen Humphreys
Sailing Alone Around the Room by Billy Collins

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls, Audio Book
The Aviator, DVD

Stephanie

Fall on Your Knees by Ann-Marie MacDonald
Amish Quilt Patterns by Rachel Pellman
Gee's Bend: the Women and their Quilts, Beardsley, Arnett, Livingston
A Plague of Doves by Louise Erdrich, Audio Book
The Ten Year Nap by Meg Wolitzer, Audio Book
Upstairs, Downstairs, DVD
Charade, DVD

Tina

Lamentations of the Father by Ian Frazier
Living Out Loud by Anna Quindlen
Living Gently in a Violent World by Stanley Hauerwas & Jean Vanier
John Adams, DVD
My House in Umbria (LUV video)
The Monastery: Mr. Vig and the Nun (LUV video)

Wendy

Still reading last month's books

Children's Room News

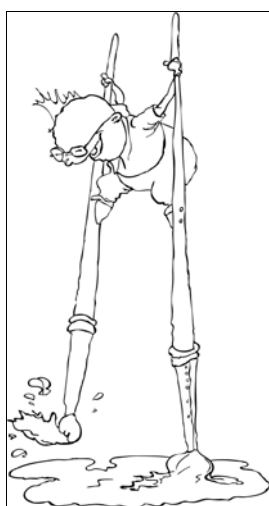


This Just In:

“Diary of a Wimpy Kid” by Jeff Kinney is the winner of the 2009 DCF Award. Kinney’s book was chosen by students all across Vermont. (It beat out “Hugo Cabret” by a 2 to 1 margin!) Wondering what next year’s books will be? Kids in grades 3-6 can join us on **Thursday, May 19 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.



This summer our theme is: *Be Creative: Express Yourself at the Library.*



We’ll be up to our eyeballs with art--imagine getting messy with paint, performing in a play or making music with household items. The sky’s the limit! Illustrator David Catrow has provided all of the artwork for our posters, bookmarks and t-shirts. His zany art will certainly add to the fun.

We’ll kick off the festivities with a **party on June 17 at 1 PM** the last day of school. There’ll be with activities and refreshments, and kids can to sign up and pledge to read over summer vacation. Each child who fills out a pledge card that day can take home a free book of their choosing to help get them started. This event always draws a real crowd, come join us if you can.

This summer, the Library will be artfully a-buzz with activities. Last year’s “Creature Features” were such a hit that we’ll be hosting a **Thursday night film festival** around this year’s theme. Afternoon **craft sessions** may focus on these topics: origami, flower pressing and rubber stamp carving. We’ll wrap things up in August with a **musical performance** by Ellie Tetrick. Kids will love the silly, hands-on activities--think bubbles, parachutes and colorful ribbons. Please check our website or at the Library for date and time.

Knit (Still) Happens on Fridays



Visit us on Friday afternoons at 3:30 PM 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 **March of Dimes** program here in Vermont. In our spare time we’ve also been making squares for a dollhouse blanket, we’re getting very bold with our inspired color combinations! You may have read about us recently in the *Valley News*. Don’t be shy about stopping in and saying Hi, we’d be happy to autograph your article.

NPL Calendar

Art ~ May 4th–June 29th

Two Rivers Printmaking Studio exhibits prints by the artist members: Lois Beatty, Penny Bennett, Susan Berry, Faith Childs, Nancy Gerlach, Rachel Gross, Vickie Herzberg, Deb Jayne, Jenevieve Johnson, Judith Lampe, Josh Melrod, Sue Schiller, Sheri Tomek, and Sheryl Trainor. The work in this exhibit demonstrates a wide variety of printmaking techniques including etching, relief, lithography, and monotype. The opening reception and an artist's talk will be on May 29th, 2009 from 5-7 PM. An overview of various printmaking techniques represented in the artwork will be discussed.

~Slideshow/Discussion ~ Thursday, May 28 @7 PM

“Travel to Africa”

Join us for the ultimate adventure as we join a safari through Zimbabwe and Botswana. We will begin our journey in Harare, Zimbabwe, stop at Lake Kariba and the Hwange National Park, home to hundreds of elephants. We'll take a brief break for a golf game at Victoria Falls, before we visit the Okavango Delta in Botswana. See native animals, the terrain and many glories of Africa. Travel with three retired educators who are enjoying their retirement by visiting the world. Willy Black from Hanover, Kit Griggs from Norwich and Carole Blake from WRJ.

Children's Events Calendar

Word Play

Stories, songs, rhymes & fingerplay for kids 0-3 & their caregivers.

Wednesdays 10:30-11:00 AM

May 6	My Mom's the Best
May 13	Playgroup only
May 20	I Like Bikes
May 27	It's a Polka Party
June 3	What's Cookin'?

Lunch at the Library

Stories and songs for kids 3-6 and their caregivers.

Fridays **12:00-12:45 PM**. Bring a lunch & make a craft!

May 8	Here's to You, Mom
May 15	Try Something New
May 22	Bicycle for Two
May 29	I Feel like Dancing
June 5	Usin' Your Noodle

Bedtime Storytime

Kids, come to the Library in your jammies for Storytime the first Thursday of the month. Join us at 7:00 PM on May 7 and June 4. 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

Fines

~ 5¢ per day for most items

~ 50¢ per day for videos, DVDs, Discovery Packs & Interlibrary Loans

Bookmark & New Acquisitions

Visit our website at www.norwichlibrary.org to read the current issue of *Bookmark* and see our new acquisitions. If you would like to receive email updates on Library events and programs, sign up electronically on the homepage of our website, or send an email request to:

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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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