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Norwich Public Library

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From the Director

I love October in Vermont. I love the brilliant blue skies, the puffy clouds and of course, the stunning autumnal colors. I also enjoy the sense of having to get everything done (as if that were even possible) before November's cold and dark descend. You can feel everything changing around you.

Library life is also undergoing some changes. We are saying goodbye to Nancy Tiedemann (see article inside) and searching for just the right person to join our lively staff! New directional signs are going to be hung so that patrons will be able to find our online catalog easily! Look for a new Staff Recommendations area, which will also highlight upcoming book releases.

Some libraries celebrate Banned Book Week but we prefer to make it a month-long event. If you take a moment to look at the displays, I guarantee you will be surprised at some of the book titles that have been challenged and in some cases, banned from libraries in the United States. Celebrate your freedom to read!

The Norwich Energy Committee and the Sustainable Energy Resource Group have donated an Energy Resource kit to NPL. This kit, in a handy backpack, contains materials that will help you learn more about both the effects of global warming and ways to reduce your energy use. Among the nifty items in this kit is a watt meter, the DVDs *Kilowatt Ours* and *An Inconvenient Truth* and a series of energy briefs. The kit circulates for one week and will, we hope inspire us all to reduce our carbon footprint.

Happy October!
Lucinda



LIBRARY NEWS

After four wonderful years, our cataloger **Nancy Tiedemann** is leaving to become the Assistant Librarian for the Enfield Public Library. Catalogers often toil in obscurity; their workspace piled high with a seemingly endless supply of new library materials. The importance of their position can not be overlooked however. Catalogers create order out of chaos. Without their careful assessments and judgments, new materials would never make it to the shelves. As a cataloger Nancy is supreme, but we will also miss her dry wit, eagle eyes and unbelievable baking ability. We all wish her great success in her new job!

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Looking for a unique way to support the Norwich Public Library? Consider becoming a part of **Art on a Limb**, the first ever All-Vermont public library collaborative fundraising event. Forty-two Vermont artists (including Antoinette Jacobson of Norwich) were asked to take a wooden maple leaf and be creative with it. The results are amazing and beautiful. The leaves are being auctioned online and during the live event on Sunday October 14th. How does this benefit NPL? In order to bid you need to register. Registration is just \$25.00 and you designate which VT library you'd like to money to go to (hint, hint, NPL!) If your bid is the winning bid, a large percentage of that money also goes to the library of your choice. So everyone wins! The website is <http://windsorlibrary.org/limb07>. Be a part of this exceptional event and support NPL at the same time! Go art on a limb!

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For a more informal update on NPL matters, visit NPL Now at <http://nplnow.blogspot.com>. You can read about behind-the-scenes library news, current library issues, and other relevant happenings.

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[Friends Book Sale](#)

The Friends of the Norwich Public Library are having their bi-annual booksale **on Friday, October 19 from 3-8PM and on Saturday, October 20 from 10AM-3PM**. There have been dozens and dozens of books donated to the Library since the last booksale so this one promises to be very large in number and choices. Your purchases support programs and materials for

<p><u>What the staff is reading...</u></p> <p><u>Lucinda</u> <i>The Smiling Man</i> by Henning Mankell <i>Bones to Ashes</i> by Kathy Reichs</p> <p><u>Beth</u> <i>Wednesday Wars</i> by Gary Schmidt <i>Carpe Diem</i> by Autumn Cornwell <i>Somewhere in France</i> by John Rolfe Gardiner <i>Ship Fever</i> by Andrea Barrett <i>Into the Woods</i> by Mimi Grey</p> <p><u>Stephanie</u> <i>Aya</i> by Marguerite About <i>Love Poems from God</i> edited by Daniel Ladinsky <i>The Reluctant Fundamentalist</i> by Mohsin Hamid <i>HTML, XHTML, and CSS</i> by Elizabeth Castro <i>Begin Again</i> by Grace Paley <i>Sinners Welcome</i> by Mary Karr <i>The Little Disturbances of Man</i> by Grace Paley <i>Just as I Thought</i> by Grace Paley</p>	<p><u>What the staff is listening to...</u></p> <p><u>Lucinda</u> <i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i> by Khaled Hosseini <i>Ginger Pye</i> by Eleanor Estes</p> <p><u>Beth</u> <i>Alcatraz Versus the Evil Librarians</i> by Brandon Sanderson</p> <p><u>Stephanie</u> <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> by J.K. Rowling <i>Water for Elephants</i> by Sarah Gruen <i>On Chesil Beach</i> by Ian McEwan <i>Barrel Fever</i> by David Sedaris</p> <p><u>What the staff is watching...</u></p> <p><u>Lucinda</u> <i>Hoot</i> <i>Midsomer Murders</i> <i>Shall We Dance</i></p> <p><u>Beth</u> <i>A Series of Unfortunate Events</i></p>
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CHILDREN'S ROOM NEWS

And the Winners are...

Congratulations to the winners in our **Summer Reading raffle**: Sarah Haedrich, Carmen Lyons, Mikey Mackall, Wilson Rimberg, Parker Thurston, Hollis Westling, and Eli Woloshin. Willa Kaufman was the lucky winner of The Grand Prize—a mystery party for five. Azor Goodwin won our Harry Potter essay contest, check out our blog at <http://nplnow.blogspot.com> to read his fabulous entry.

Special Events

Now that everyone has had a chance to read **“The Jaguar Stones”**, the first book in the Middleworld trilogy, we’re making plans to get everyone here to discuss the book. What will happen in Book two? Who knows? Let’s get together and throw some theories around. Watch our website for details on this discussion.

Halloween Party

Bats and Cats and Pumpkins—oh my! Join us for our **Annual Halloween Dinner** of pizza & soda on **Wednesday, October 31st, from 4:30-5:30 PM**. This is the perfect time to grab a bite to eat before a big night of trick-or-treating around town. Tickets will be sold at the Library for the eerily low price of \$5.00 per person. Goblins 3 years and under are free. Space is limited, so buy your tickets before they disappear.

Plant Sale

Come visit us during the **Friends’ booksale** on **Friday, October 19 from 3-8PM** and on **Saturday, October 20 from 10AM-3PM**. The Children’s Room will be selling plants, complete with bookmarks—for \$2.00. All the money will go towards the purchase of DVDs to replace our existing video collection. Donations will also be gratefully accepted.

In the Kids’ Room

Is Fall Cleaning as widely known as Spring cleaning? We’ve recently been bitten by the bug and have moved most everything around down here in an attempt to make things easier to find. **Books on CD** and **movies on DVD** are on the spinning fixture, while **videos** have been condensed and **audios** have moved to where the videos used to be. All this in an attempt to give Fiction more room—it’s such a growing section! We have also pulled out most of the **Newbery winners**—both books and audiobooks—and put them on display. If you’re a 5th or 6th grader looking for these books, then stop in and peruse the collection in the **Blue Reading Alcove**.

A Note for Parents:

If you find yourself with an extra hour before picking the kids from school, consider stopping in and spending a little time **volunteering in the Children’s Room**. We’re always in need of someone to shelve books. And in an hour’s time you might put a whole shelf of picturebooks away—which would be a great BIG help! Stop in and let us know if you’re interested.



Ahoy mateys! Find long lasting treasures at the Library...books, magazines, DVD’s, books on tape & CD’s...a treasure trove of knowledge, fun and entertainment. Joining the pirate themed ole’ home day parade on Sept 8, Fifi, Lily, Hartley and Tobias (children of library staff) dressed the part to peacefully encourage onlookers to visit.

NPL Calendar

Art ~ Norwich artist **Stephanie W. Hart** exhibition continues through October in a show she entitled *Second Look..* Stephanie considers herself to be a landscape painter and paints exclusively in oil.

Program ~ **A Night of Poetry & Dessert Potluck**

Join us **Friday, October 26** for the merriment that brings together two of life's finest offerings: poetry and dessert. We'll start reading and munching at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room. This event is open to everyone: grandparents, grandkids, and everyone in between. Bring a dessert to share, and a favorite poem--yours, if you write them; someone else's if you are a reader-enthusiast.

Display ~ The Marion Cross School is learning about hunger in the US and the world. The *Giving Bowls*, displayed in our cases, was inspired by the national Empty Bowls project and the creative inspiration of Tracy Smith, MCS art teacher. Please come in to view them and learn more about the event taking place on Sunday, October 14 on the Green.

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 AM

October 10	Jungle Jams
October 17	A is for Apple
October 24	Falling Leaves
October 31	Not so Scary Stories
November 7	Wild Wild West

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

October 5	PLAYGROUP ONLY
October 12	Terrific Tigers & Lovely Lions
October 19	P is for Pumpkin
October 26	Bats Off to You!
November 2	Leaves it to Me

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 October 4 and November 1 in the Children's Room. See you there!

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Hours

Monday: 1:00pm-8:00pm

Tuesday: 10:00am-5:30pm

Wednesday: 10:00am-5:30pm

Thursday: 10:00am-8:00pm

Friday: 10:00am-5:30pm

Saturday: 10:00am-3:00pm

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 & Discovery Packs

Fines

~5¢ per day for most items

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

Bookmark & New Acquisitions

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