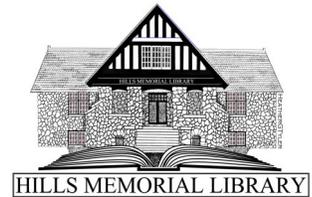


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NEWSLETTER

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18 Library Street, Hudson, New Hampshire

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Ongoing And New Programs

Please be aware that registration is required for every program to ensure we do not go over fire code capacity in our programming area. Each session runs from 5 to 7 weeks. If you miss two weeks in a row without calling to reserve your place in the program, we must call the next person on the waiting list to join us. Waiting list people have the chance to register first for the new session. All participants must re-register for the new session every three months. You may register beginning on August 15 either in the Children's Room or by calling 886-6030 Ext. 24. You must present your HML library card when registering. If you don't have one, this is a great time for you to come on in and get one. Any of our staff in the Annex or the main room would be happy to assist you.

Are you ready to "fall" into new adventures? Are you ready to "leaf" the old ones behind? Get a load of what we will be offering in the Children's Room this September. Registration begins August 15.

Lullaby Lapsit for birth through two year olds will be held on Fridays at 10 a.m. in the Children's Room. Please note the change in time. Parents and children sit on pillows on the floor and sing songs, have tickle poems and stories. The last fifteen minutes of the 45 minute session is for you to read to your child.

Storytimes for 3-5 year olds will be held on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. in the Children's Room. Parents stay with the children and participate. We read stories, sing songs and make a craft.

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DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

How Well

Do We Know The Internet

Pew Internet & American Life Project is at it again, This time they say the average American internet user is not sure what podcasting is, what an RSS feed does, or what the term "phishing" means. Large numbers of internet users do not know the basic definition of some of the hottest new internet innovations and one of the most serious online dangers. 3% of people polled had never heard the terms Spam, Firewall, or Spyware, while 26% never heard RSS Feeds, and 23% blanked on Podcasting.

Links:

http://www.pewinternet.org/PPF/r/161/report_display.asp

A J.K. Rowling For All Literary Tastes

The *Guardian* asked readers to write an account of Albus Dumbledore dying, in the style of an author other than J.K. Rowling. Versions "by" Dickens, Hemingway, Anne Rice, Hunter Thompson, and more are at the following webpage. Some are more interesting than others of course.



<http://books.guardian.co.uk/potter/page/0,13381,1521782,00.html>

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

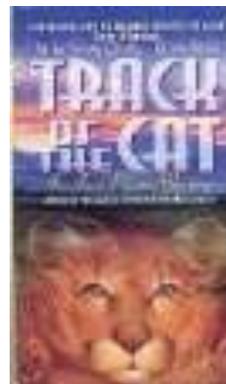
by Amy Friedman

Reading Programs Continue Through August 27

Adults get a ticket for each book read or audio book listened to. There are weekly prize drawings for gift certificates to local restaurants and stores. Middle and high school students earn prizes for reading books as well as raffle tickets for our end of summer prize drawing for larger prizes including store gift certificates, free bowling, movies, and more. Students earn extra tickets for books on their summer reading lists.

Adult Book Discussion

Track of the Cat by Nevada Barr will be the topic of the August 23 book discussion at the library. Hills. In the first of Barr's popular novels featuring Anna Pigeon, Anna flees New York to find refuge as a ranger in the remote backcountry of West



Texas and stumbles into a web of violence and murder. Copies of the book are available at the library. The group meets at 7 p.m. in Annex II.

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Junior Readers, a new program for Kindergarten through grade 2 is a reading group that will meet the fourth Saturday of every month from 1-2 p.m. beginning October 22 in the Children's Room. We will share stories, games and crafts.

Story Spinners for grades 3-5 will be held the first and third Tuesdays of the month beginning September 20 from 3:30-4:45 p.m. (please note extended time from last year) at 49 Ferry Street.

Author Celebrations for ages 3 to 8 will resume in October. This program meets from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Children's room on second Saturdays. Each month we choose a different author and read stories written and illustrated by them, make related crafts and share snacks.

Family Fun Night for grades 2-3 will also be returning in September. This is an evening story time where we will share themed stories and songs and make a craft.

Home School Wednesdays is a new program starting in the fall for home schooled children and their parents. There will be three groups that will meet once each month: *Teeny Tales* for our 3-5 year olds, *Book Safari* for our 5-8 year olds and the *Book Banter Club* for 9-12 year olds. We will be having an Open House on September 14 at 10 a.m. at 49 Ferry Street. You can sign up for these programs at that time.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

Will A Sun Shower Do?

There's nothing like curling up with a good book during a rainy summer day. And we've had some wild ones. And when it has stopped raining, it is too warm, and the lawn is probably a goner, So here are some new distractions available in the main room:

NY Times Best Sellers:

Blink: *The Power of Thinking Without Thinking* . Malcolm Gladwell

Freakonomics: *A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything*. Steven D. Levitt

The World is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-first Century. Thom-as L. Friedman

1776. David McCullough

Full Text Newspapers @ Your Library

Looking for the latest news? Are you interested in current events? We have online subscriptions to several local and national newspapers here at the library. Newspaper articles are excellent sources for news coverage of local, regional and international issues. The library maintains access to several resources for finding newspaper articles from domestic and international newspapers. Just a few from EbscoHost include:

The Wall Street Journal
Fox News Sunday
The Telegraph (Nashua)
USA Today
New York Times

From Newsbank:

1590 Broadcaster (Lowell, MA.)
The Concord Monitor
The Boston Herald
The Boston Globe
The Union Leader (Manchester, NH)

These databases may be accessed from home. Also, you may check availability of an item on our web-site. To place a hold, check your personal record, or renew your loans, you will need a pin number, available by calling the reference desk at 886-6030.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

A Month Without a Holiday – August

Yes, thirty-one hot and muggy days without an observed holiday. Many European nations have created civic holidays for a mid-season break, but we must keep trudging along. Recent studies have shown that although Americans get far less vacation and holiday time than most other industrialized countries, we also frequently don't use the time we are given. So defy the stats, take a day off, and visit us at the library.

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

Summer Reading Help: *Of Mice And Men*

All incoming freshmen at Alvirne H.S. are required to read *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck



over the summer. It also appears on the summer reading list for other area schools. The Hills Memorial Library in Hudson is holding a guided reading group for students who would like some help in reading and understanding this classic story. The group is being lead by an experienced English teacher and will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. August 9 -25. All participants will receive raffle tickets for the summer prize drawing and refreshments will be served. This program is made possible by a literacy grant from Sam's Club. Pre-registration is required, call 886-6030 extension 26.

Young Adult Book Discussion

The group will discuss *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen on August 15 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the library. Roy is new to his small Florida community and



becomes involved in a runaway boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site. Bonus reading raffle tickets go to participants.

Movies About Dads

Drama/Comedy

About a Boy

Big Fish

Billy Elliot

Cheaper by the Dozen

Father of the Bride

Evelyn

Finding Nemo

Full Monte

Great Santini

Kramer vs. Kramer

Honey I Shrank the Kids

In America

Matchstick Men

Mrs. Doubtfire

On Golden Pond



One Fine Day

The Road to Perdition

The Rookie

Secondhand Lions

Shipping News

Signs

Three Men and a Baby

To Kill a Mockingbird

What a Girl Wants

Musicals

Sound of Music

Fiddler on the Roof

Carousel

Hills Memorial Library Summer Hours



June 27 To September 3

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
9:00 a.m.—7 p.m.

Thursday
9:00 a.m.—9 p.m.

Friday
9:00 a.m.— 5 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m.—1 p.m.

Sunday
Closed

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