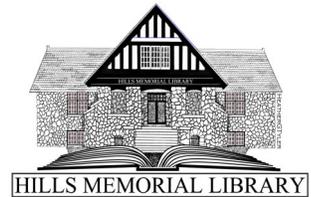


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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Summer Reading Program by Kristen Paradise

If your child attends an area school, then they probably had a visit from Bandit the Bear. Many kids have come up to me thinking I was the visiting bear they are so fond of. Ah ha! It wasn't me. It was Miss Cheryl. People claim we look alike and a few patrons even wonder whether we are sisters. I can assure you we are not related although I wouldn't mind, she's pretty cool. I hope I get to wear a big, goofy outfit next year!

On with the groovy news and happenings in the Children's Room. The end of June saw the beginning of the summer reading program, *Camp Wannaread*. More than 140 adults and children were in attendance. Children enjoyed crafts and games while parents signed them up for presenters. The morning was punctuated by an impromptu water balloon fight, complete with Miss Cheryl barreling water balloons at several of the staff. Great fun! We will have lots more fun reading this month and you can still sign up! Adventures will include visits from a storyteller, a puppeteer, the Hudson Fire Department, and live animals as well as a campfire sing-a-long with Steve Blunt. Please call us at 886-6030 ext. 24 to register. And get ready for *Camp Wannaread's* closing day, August 5, 9:30-12 a.m., 49 Ferry Street.

If you haven't been able to join us for the *Summer Reading Program* but want your child to participate in a *Story Time*, watch for our fall programming. There will be lots of new adventures as well as old favorites, and you won't want to miss them!

DIRECTOR'S DESK by Toni Weller

Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarships Awarded

The Friends of the Hills Memorial Library are pleased to announce recipients of their Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarships. Shaunalynn Duffy, Joanna Jette and Hope Blanchette are all recent graduates of Alvirne High School, Hudson, New Hampshire. Each will use the scholarship money when they leave for college in the Fall. Shaunalynn to MIT, Joanna to Salem State and Hope to Northeastern. This marks the fourth year the Friends of the Library have awarded scholarships in memory of Leonard A. Smith, one of Hudson's long time public servants and a strong library advocate. Funds were raised with sales of tote bags, sun catchers and used books at Second Hand Prose.

Edie Danieli Thanked For Service to Library

Edie Danieli, who just stepped down as head of the Children's Room, was recently honored with a proclamation thanking her for her years of service to the library



and the town. She is shown above (right) receiving her award from Mrs. Lynne Ober.

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

ADULT!!!

Summer Reading Program

Why should kids have all the fun? Join our "Read for Rewards" adult summer reading program. From now through August 27 get a raffle ticket for every library book you read or listen to. We have weekly drawings for prizes from local merchants, restaurants and more. Participants will receive a coupon for a free book at our Friends of the Library book sale.

Middle & High School Students Pages for Prizes Raffle July 28 and August 27

Keep a reading log, get a raffle ticket for each book (80+ pages) that you read.

Get bonus tickets for longer books (200-400 pages, 1 ticket, 400-600, 2 tickets, etc.). Get two bonus tickets for reading a book on your summer reading list.

First raffle drawing at summer reading program finale is on July 28. Final raffle drawing will be August 27. Prizes include free tickets to area attractions, sporting events, store coupons and more.

Plus

Read 1 book: Get a Lindt truffle/coupon

Read 5 books: Get a DQ sundae coupon

Read 10 books: Get \$5 worth of Funworld Tokens

Memorial students participating are also eligible for a raffle at school. Keep your reading log and bring it to school in the fall.

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

July Events

by Cheryl Hatch

We are currently running our *Summer Reading Program*.

Game Available All Day Come into the Children's Room anytime during the day and play a camping game in keeping with weekly theme!

Storytime Tuesday, 10 a.m. Currently full. If you are registered but cannot attend, please call us in advance so we can call folks on our waiting list. If you miss two consecutive weeks, we will replace you with someone on the waiting list.

Presenters Special presenters are coming to 49 Ferry St. Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Program open! Call us to register. (Rain may force change of location).

Craft Available All Day. Come into the Children's Room anytime and make a craft to take home!

Book Buck Day! Friday and Saturday, bring in your signed reading log and pick up your Book Bucks! spend them at the Camp Wannaread Store or we'll hold them for you till following week!

Lullaby Lapsit. New session registration begins in July with those currently on the waiting list. In August all others may register. New sessions begin in September.

Author Celebration and Family Fun Night resumes in September. The August newsletter will have more information.

Please note: *Storytime, Lullaby Lapsit, Author Celebration and Family Fun Night* programs require registration and are limited to library card holders of Hills Memorial Library.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

HML Museum Passes

Check your calendar this summer. There are some great happenings going on at our wonderful museums!

This summer the *Squam Lakes Natural Science Center* has some fun-packed days of hiking, boating, hands-on activities and just learning about new things. Programs include organic gardening, outdoor skills, and nature studies. Enjoy a walk along the Gephart Trail where you will see native New Hampshire wildlife in natural enclosures. Learn about nature at a unique outdoor classroom with plenty of hands-on exhibits, games and puzzles for all ages. In a little more than an hour's travel, you can visit eagles, hawks and owls at the raptor exhibit, as well as a black bear, a bobcat, mountain lions, a river otter and more.

And what's new at the *Museum of Science in Boston* you ask? How about the presentation *Brain: The World Inside Your Head?* There are two permanent hands-on exhibits: *Mapping the World Around Us*, which explores how different cultures have used maps through the ages. The other is *Playing by the Rules: Fish, Fads and Fireflies* where you can discover how a simple set of rules can generate complex and unexpected results.

The Museum of Fine Arts in Boston is a great place on a hot or rainy day. Now through August 21 *The Quilts of GEE's Bend* is on exhibit. From August 21 there is an exhibit of photographs of master photographer Ansel Adams.

For information and pass reservation stop by or call the library at 886-6030, extension 21.

Other museum passes:
The Butterfly Place

The Children's Museum (Boston)

The Christa McAuliffe Planetarium

The Currier Museum of Art (Manchester)

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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Nature's Surprise

Did you know that New Hampshire has an official state amphibian? According to Beth Roy at the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, New Hampshire was the first state to adopt a State Am-



phibian. The slimy orange creature was approved by the State Legislature on April 18, 1985. Can you guess what it is? Of course—it's the spotted newt! So when you're out camping or enjoying a casual evening walk in the woods, turn over a few logs or take a look in some ponds and you might be surprised and find your state amphibian.

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

Middle And High School Students Thursday Fun

Come to the library Thursday evenings through July 28 for special activities. There will be refreshments and door prizes. Each participant will get a raffle ticket. Pre-registration is requested. You can call or come in to register. There may be room for walk-ins, but call the library in advance to be sure, as some programs have limited space.

July 7: *Stamp it Up*
7-8:30 p.m.

Come and create cards, boxes, bookmarks and more with rubber stamp art. Learn how to get started with this fun and easy hobby.

July 14: *Harry Potter Wizard's School*
7-8:30 p.m.

Celebrate the publication of the newest Harry Potter book. Join master wizard Rich LaBombard as he demonstrates some of his more powerful spells. He will then teach the assembled students how to do a few tricks of their own. *One lucky wizard in training will win a copy of "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince"* (to be picked up on Saturday once it is available for sale).

July 21: *Comix Night*
7-8:30 p.m.

Rich Woodall, creator of *Johnny Raygun*, will present a hands-on workshop on the art of creating comics and will give an overview of the world of comics and how to get into the comics business.

July 28: *Stuck on Reading: Duct Tape Crafts, Pizza Party, and Raffle Drawing*
7-8:30 p.m.

Join us for pizza, ice cream, and the first Pages for Prizes drawing. Come learn how to make all kinds of things out of duct tape, wallets, purses, shoes, frames and more. We will have a variety of colors to choose from. Find out about crafts projects to keep you busy the rest of the summer.

Food Pantry Donations

Bring in items for the food pantry between June 23 and August 27 and get raffle tickets. We will be collecting donations in Annex II and at the Summer Reading Program Events.

Book Discussion Middle and High School Students

July 18

From 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 18, we will be discussing *House of the Scorpion*, by Nancy Farmer. Come by the library and pick up a copy of this award-winning novel about a near future where society has taken a wrong turn, people are enslaved by evil drug lords and cloning is used for selfish purposes. Refreshment will be served and all participants will receive raffle tickets.

Adult Book Discussion

The King Must Die

July 26

A spellbinding blend of myth, legend, history and imagination, here is Mary Renault's famous story of the mythical hero Theseus, king of Athens, slayer of monsters and abductor of prin-



cesses. He emerges from these pages as a clearly defined personality: brave, aggressive and quick. The core of the story is Theseus's Cretan adventure, battling the Minotaur in the labyrinth of King Minos. July 26 at 7 p.m. Teens welcome. Refreshments will be served and all participants will receive raffle tickets.