

HILLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

by Betsey Martel

Summer Reading Program Finale

Treasure Reading, the summer reading program, ends on August 5. Remember to bring in your reading logs August 4 or 5 to earn doubloons and prizes. Closing day festivities on August 2 include Steve Blunt, games and great prizes!

Fall Programming

Register for fall programming in the children's room beginning August 14. Call 886-6030, extension 24, or stop in to register.

Children's Room Program Schedule

Fire safety standards limit the number of people who can fit in the programming area. We therefore have to require registration. **To sign up for programming, call us at 886-6030 ext. 24 or stop by the Children's Room. Be sure to have your library card ready!**

Small Adventures (ages 3-6) and Story Explorers (ages 7-12) and their families meet for stories, activities, crafts and more! These groups meet the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 10 a.m.

Family Fun Night for ages 3-3rd grade is an evening story time where we share themed stories, songs, crafts and activities. *Family Fun Night* meets the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Story Spinners for grades 3-5 is held third Tuesday of the month at the Ferry Street Annex from 3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m. We read

and discuss a book, do themed crafts and have a snack. Diverse reading abilities welcome.

Story times for 3-5 year olds: choose from one of two weekday story times on either Mondays or Thursdays at 10 a.m. We read stories, sing songs and make a craft. Each session runs 8-10 weeks. If someone misses two weeks in a row without calling to keep their place, we must call the next person on the waiting list. Those waiting have first opportunity to register for the new session. All participants must re-register for each new session.

Lullaby Lapsit for 0-2 year olds will meet every Friday at 11 a.m. Complete with tickle songs, nursery rhymes and poems, this program lasts about 45 minutes with the last 15 minutes set aside for parents to read to their child.

Craft Days are held the first and third Saturdays of the month. Come into the Children's Room any time during the day and make or take a craft (while supplies last).

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Second Hand Prose Book Sale

The Friends of the Hills Memorial Library in Hudson will hold their monthly book sale the second Sun-



day of the month, August 13, from 12—3 p.m. at 49 Ferry Street/Rte 111 (The second house past the library on the right). Books for adults and children, videos, CDs and more, will be available. Most hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks 50 cents.

DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

Library Expansion Survey Results

The results from the *Library Expansion Survey* have been posted on the HML website <http://www.hillsml.lib.nh.us> under the link for Library Expansion.

Kudos to Librarians

The August 2006 *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine mentions Library Finds at the bottom of page 222. It reports that librarians at your local library can do a better job of helping you find useful and accurate health information on the web than people doing their own research. This short blurb also says that just 4% of patients surveyed said they could find all of that information on their own.

Net Neutrality Legislation

There is a fight brewing in Congress over Internet neutrality. Large companies have been lobbying congress for a two tier system to deliver internet information. It is often referred to as "tollbooths in the internet highway". The American Library Association has a website explaining the issues at

<http://www.ala.org/ala/washoff/WIssues/techinttele/networkneutrality/netneutrality.htm>

Another good source for information is

<http://www.SavetheInternet.com>

On the lighter side...*The Daily Show's* "contributing correspondent" John Hodgman gave a brief but excellent demonstration of net neutrality on the July 19 show. Catch the rebroadcasts if you can.

Hills Memorial Library Lawn Sale

The GFWC Hudson Community Club will 'try again' to hold the **Library Lawn Sale** on Saturday August 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday afternoon August 20. Artisans will be selling their wares and the Hudson Community Club will have a white elephant table of goods. Pete Duquette will be there with his 'read the trees' T-shirts. The Community Club is doing this as a fund raiser for the Ann Seabury Memorial Tutoring Room in the new library.

As a 'friendly' reminder, current members are asked to please send in their annual dues.

Playaway Digital Audio Books Have Arrived!!

Listen to your favorite books on a player that fits in your pocket! Playaway self-contained 2x3 inch digital audio books can be used with any standard headphones and normal car radio adaptors used for



other MP3 players such as iPods. Current titles include *Beach Road*, James Patterson; *Marley & Me*, John Grogan; *Cell*, Stephen King; *Digging to America*, Anne Tyler; *The Kite Runner*, Khaled Hosseini; *The Time Traveler's Wife*, Audrey Niffenegger.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr, et al..

Sizzling Summer Reads

Enjoy the summer celebrations and while the warm weather is here stop by and cool yourself off in our air-conditioned library to browse some of our new titles to help with your celebrations.

Dr. BBQ's Barbecue's All Year Long! Cookbook. Ray Lampe. "Dr. BBQ is my new hero...His book imparts egoless, belly-driven, cook-off tested experience to his readers, mixed with anecdotes and just tidbits" (*Fiery Foods Magazine*).

Daisy Cooks! Daisy Martinez
Latin Flavors that will rock your world

Barbecue! Bible – Sauces, Rubs, and Marinades, Bastes, Butters & Glazes. Steven Raichlen. The title says it all by a world leading authority on international barbecue.

Sandra Lee – Semi-Homemade Cooking. For those busy days. Sandra Lee, host of the popular Food Network Show, brings simple and smart family recipes that taste like you spent hours in the kitchen but in a fraction of the time.

Hills Memorial Library Summer Hours



June 26 To August 29

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

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 – August 26 get a raffle ticket for every library book you read. There will be weekly drawings for prizes from local merchants and restaurants. Everyone participating will receive a coupon for a free book at our Friends of the Library booksale.

Alvirne Summer Reading Help

All incoming freshmen at Alvirne are required to read *Of Mice and Men*, by John Steinbeck, over the summer. Sophomores are required to read *Ellen Foster* by Kaye Gibbons. We are offering guided reading groups to anyone wanting help with reading and understanding these books. Participants receive tickets for our Reader's Raffle, snacks will be served. The reading groups will meet Monday, Wednesday, Friday : August 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, and 25. Freshmen meet 2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.; sophomores, at 3:45 p.m.—4:45 p.m. Pre-registration is requested.

(Made possible by a literacy grant from Sam's Club)

Middle & High School Students Pages for Prizes Raffle Drawings August 3 & August 26

Keep a reading log, get a raffle ticket for each book (over 80 pages) 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. The first raffle drawing will be at the summer reading program finale, August 3. **Final raffle drawing will be held August 26.** Prizes include free tickets to area attractions, sporting events, store coupons and more.

Plus:

Read 1 Book and register for the program, get candy

Read 5 Books. Get a coupon for a free Dairy Queen treat

Read 10 Books: Get a free string of bowling at Leda Lanes or \$5 worth of Funworld Tokens.

Middle & High School Students

August 3: Duct Tape Crafts, Pizza Party and Raffle Drawing 7 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Join us for pizza, ice cream and the first "Pages for Prizes" raffle drawing. Raffle winners at the party get their choice of available prizes. Learn how to make all kinds of things out of duct tape. A variety of colors will be available. Pre-registration is required.

Food Pantry Donations

Bring in items for the food pantry from now through August 26 and get raffle tickets. We will be collecting donations in Annex II and at the *Summer Reading Program* events.

Playreading Circle, August 13

The Hills Memorial Library holds a monthly playreading circle. Multiple copies of play scripts will be available and participants can take on the roles of characters from the monthly play selection. You may also come and listen to the play reading by others. This is a wonderful chance to listen to great works of theatre come alive vocally, instead of just reading them on the page. The *Playreading Circle* will meet on Tuesday, August 15 at 6:30 p.m. We will be reading a classic Agatha Christie mystery play. Call Amy Friedman at 886-6030 extension 26 to find out the play for the month or to suggest future plays.

Morning Book Discussion Group *Drowning Ruth*

We have started a new book discussion group for people who are available in the morning. The group will be meeting the third Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m.

This month, on August 15 at 10 a.m. we will be discussing *Drowning Ruth* by Christina Schwarz, a stunning portrait of the ties that bind sisters together and the forces that tear them apart, of the dangers of keeping secrets and the explosive repercussions when they are exposed. Our next discussion will be on September 19. We will be reading *In a Sunburned Country*, Bill Bryson's humorous account of his travels in Australia. Books are available in Annex II. Call 886-6030 extension 26 for more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list.

Evening Book Discussion

airs of a Geisha

We will be holding a book discussion on Tuesday, August 22 at 7 p.m. We will be discussing *Memoirs of a Geisha* by Arthur Golden. It is the story of Sayuri, one of Japan's most celebrated geishas, a woman who is both performer and courtesan, slave and goddess. Evening Book Discussion Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Books are available at the library. For more information call 886-6030 extension 26.

Hot New Fiction Titles

Twelve Sharp. Janet Evanovich

The Husband. Dean Koontz

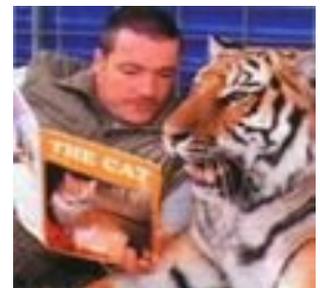
Angels Fall. Nora Roberts

Coming Out. Danielle Steel

The Book of the Dead. Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child

Read any Good Books Lately?

Have you read this summer a



book that you loved and want to share with other NH readers? Please visit the NH Center for the Book "Granite State Readers Recommend" webpage at http://www.state.nh.us/nhsl/bookcenter/programs/qs_recommend.html and let us know about it. When you complete the web site form and click *submit* button, a *thank you* message should display.

Some of these titles will be included in the next issue of *Book Notes*, the Center's newsletter. It will go out to members in early September. Your suggestions will be included on the webpage.

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