

# HILLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## NEWSLETTER

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18 Library Street, Hudson, New Hampshire (603) 886-6030 <http://www.hillsml.lib.nh.us>



### CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

by Kristen Paradise

#### Congratulations To All The Winners Of Our Second Annual Poetry Contest!

##### Grades K-2

1st Place: Michael Shah

2nd Place: Ethan Loring

3rd Place: Matthew Cassidy

Honorable Mention: Emily Briere

##### Grades 3-5

1st Place: Dominick Mandeville

2nd Place: Dominique A. Kaempf

3rd Place: Kayla Steele

Honorable Mention: Meghan Sullivan

##### Grades 6-8

1st Place: Holly Zaharchuk

2nd Place: Aquiel Porter

3rd Place: Kaitlyn Yarmo

Honorable Mention: Heather Hardy

Honorable Mention: P.J. Riggan

##### Grades 9-12

1st Place: Hillary Casavant

2nd Place: Matt Barry

3rd Place: Rachel Garside

Honorable Mention: Mercedes Susi

#### Reading Roadtrip USA!

Get ready for a summer of great reading, programs and activities!



Our theme is Reading Roadtrip USA and we will be "traveling" through the U.S. with stories, activities, games and prizes! Registration and Kickoff will be June 22. Keep reading for more information!

### 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!**

**Lullaby Lapsit for birth-23 months** Friday at 11 a.m.

**Toddler Time for 2 year olds** Friday, 9:30-10:00 a.m.

**Story times for 3-5 year olds** Monday or Thursday, 10 a.m.

**Family Fun Night for ages 3-3<sup>rd</sup> grade** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

**Story Spinners for grades 3-5** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday: Ferry Street Annex, 3:30-4:45 p.m.

**Craft Days** first and third Saturdays

### Home School Programs

**Small Adventures (ages 3-6)** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays- 10:00 a.m.

**Story Explorers (ages 7-12)** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays- 10:00 a.m.

#### \*For all registered programs

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.

\*Check out our Children's web page at [www.hillsml.lib.nh.us/childrens.asp](http://www.hillsml.lib.nh.us/childrens.asp)

### DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

An option for those who wish to receive a reminder for overdue books via the Internet is *Library Elf*. It offers text, email, RSS for all items out and even tells you before they are due. It also makes recommendations based on what you have checked out.

Check. <http://www.libraryelf.com>. *Elf* is a free "personal email library reminder service." It allows patrons to create an account, which must include your library card barcode and your PIN (normally the last four digits of your telephone number).

Once you have an account, you can instruct the site to email reminders of books with upcoming due dates. The site provides some additional functions, such as checking your account for hold items and seeing the status of the book you currently have out. *Elf* also includes text-messaging options.

Please note: *Elf* is a third-party web service. Hills Memorial library does not endorse this product and, we are in no way affiliated with it. We cannot provide technical assistance regarding *Elf*, and make no guarantees as to the accuracy of *Elf's* information or services. Likewise, we cannot guarantee the security or privacy of information you submit to *Elf*. We simply want to make you aware of this service. Hills Memorial Library does not yet offer RSS feeds via TLC's Library Solutions. RSS will be available in the near future when we upgrade our system software, so in the meantime you may wish to try *Library Elf*.

### Thank You Friends Of The Library

A Thank You to our wonderful Friends of the Library who recognized the library staff and presented special recognition gifts to long-term and milestone employees during National Library Week. Twenty-seven staff received a greeting card with gift coupons. Jane Bowles, Chair of the Friends of the Library, presented special recognition gifts to the following: Diane Petrain (20 years), Gayle St. Cyr (15 years), Carol Giffin, Lisa Lyon and Brian Hewey (10 years), Anne Carle, Kate Knight and Kerri Ann Antosca (5 years). We have a great staff and we are appreciative of the Friends of the Library salute and gifts.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

#### Second Hand Prose Book Sale

Sunday, May 13

The Friends of the Hills Memorial Library will hold their monthly book sale the second Sunday of the month, May 13, from 12-3 at 49 Ferry Street/Rte 111 (The second house past the library on the right). Bring Mom out for bargain book shopping. Specials this month are religion and biography. Proceeds will go to the Leonard A. Smith Scholarship Fund and to National Library Week programs.

#### Leonard A. Smith Scholarship

Applications for the Leonard A. Smith scholarship, open to Hudson graduating seniors, are due May 4. Applications are available from the Hills Memorial Library website.

## REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

### Museum Of Fine Arts Edward Hopper Exhibit May 6 To August 19

Edward Hopper is considered to be one of American's greatest modern painters. Hopper documented the bustling urban and industrial changes of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and his enduring popularity comes from his ability to stage scenes from everyday life. He traveled for years in Europe and retained the style of The Impressionists until the mid-1920s. He then began to paint large scenes of life in America. Hopper's use of light, shadows and color depicting urban scenes had a strong influence on the Pop Art Movement.

Fifty oil paintings, thirty watercolors and twelve prints are exhibited in the collection of the Museum of Fine Arts, including such favorites as, *Nighthawks*, *Chop Suey*, *Lighthouse and Buildings*, *Portland Head and Cape Elizabeth, Maine*. The exhibit focuses on the period of Hopper's greatest achievements – from about 1925 to mid-century. Many of his works are considered icons of American art.

If you would like passes to the Museum of Fine Arts, stop by the desk in the main room or call 886-6030.

And for more information about Edward Hopper, check out these titles when you stop by the library:

Edward Hopper by Sherry Marker—(OS 759.13 MARKER)

Edward Hopper by Lloyd Goodrich—(OS 759.13 GOODRICH)

Edward Hopper by Karal Ann Marling—(OS 759.13 MARLING)

Edward Hopper's New England by Carol Little—(759.13 LITTLE)

#### It's That Time Of Year!

This is the time of year when sport fans are in reading heaven. There are literally dozens of new books to choose from. Here are a

few new staff picks in the main room:

*Crazy '08: How a Cast of Cranks, Rogues, Boneheads, and Magnates Created the Greatest Year in Baseball History* by Cait Murphy. Here's a book that captures the spirit and the fun of a memorable year in baseball – 1908. Take a trip back in baseball history, when the Cubs became the greatest team of all times. The author recounts an important event of one of the most bizarre seasons in baseball. Take a look at colorful characters like Cy Young, Ty Cobb and Walter Johnson; add baseball, bribery, gambling and political upheaval. It was the Cubs' year alright, and oh, it was the last time they won the World Series!

*Beyond Glory: Joe Lewis vs. Max Schmeling, and a World on the Brink* by David Margolick. The author takes readers into the careers of both men and captures what life was like in a time when Americans were still reeling from the Great Depression and how the boxers' lives were affected by political chaos and racial segregation. This brilliant account of the Louis and Schmeling fight symbolized the hopes and angst of an impending world war.

*Great Baseball Feats, Facts and First (2007)* by David Nemecek. All the information you want to know is in this unconventional book with the offbeat feats, historic events, and one-of-a-kind characters from the last 150 years. This updated volume features the stats, scores, strikeouts, homeruns, and stolen bases, along with a time capsule of the period from the 1870s until now & summarizes each of the season's World Series games.

*How to Coach a Soccer Team: Professional Advice on Training Plans, Skill Drills, and Tactical Analysis* by Tony Carr. Natural ability and hard work are important to score, but its inspiring coaches that help them win! Here's a book to help coaches build the skills and confidence in their players. Included are:

A preseason training plan

Warm-up routines

Tips on dealing with problems &

## ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

### Playreading Circle Noel Coward

On May 15 at 6:30 p.m. the *Playreading Circle* will read aloud a play from the Noel Coward Anthology *Play Parade* which contains many of Coward's classic works. You may also come and listen to the play reading by others. The *Playreading Circle* meets most months on the third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Call to confirm the date or check our website [www.hillsml.lib.nh.us](http://www.hillsml.lib.nh.us). Call Amy Friedman at 886-6030, extension 26 for more information.

### Afternoon Book Group

*The Prizewinner of Defiance Ohio*

The daytime book discussion group has changed meeting times. The group will now meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. On May 15 we will be discussing Terry Ryan's memoir *The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio: How My Mother Raised 10 Kids on 25 Words or Less*. Books are available at the library. Call 886-6030 extension 26 for more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list.

### Evening Book Discussion

*Leeway Cottage*

On May 22, the evening book discussion group will be discussing Beth Gutcheon's *Leeway Cottage* the story of a marriage challenged by disparate views of the world. Evening Book Discussion Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Books are available at the library. Call 886-6030 extension 26 for more information or to add your name to our book group mailing list.

### HOT NEW BOOKS

*Whitethorn Woods*  
Maeve Binchy

*The Alibi Man*. Tammy Hoag

*Absolute Fear*. Lisa Jackson

*Obsession*. Jonathan Kellerman

*Daddy's Girl*. Lisa Scottoline

### HOT NEW FILMS

*Hoot*

*The Pursuit of Happyness*

*The Good Shepherd*

*Freedom Writers*

*The Queen*

*Volver*

### EXERCISE DVDS

*The Wedding Workout*

*Train for Your Body Type*

*The Bollywood Dance Workout*

### Free Computer Workshops

Pre-register in person or call 886-6030, extension 21.

(Ψ=Mouse & keyboarding skills needed for this workshop.)

#### May 1, Tuesday Ψ

*Greeting Cards with Microsoft Publisher 10:30 a.m.*

#### May 8, Tuesday Ψ

*Introduction to Excel 10:30 a.m.*

#### May 17, Thursday Ψ

*Genealogy Online 10:30 a.m.*

#### May 22, Tuesday Ψ

*Digital Pictures Online 10:30 a.m.*

### National Library Week Book Raffle

Congratulations to the lucky winners of our raffle.

#### Children's Department Winners

Carlos Camargo, Samantha De feo, Rebekah Alpert, Jenna Carlton and Spencer & Cameron Boumil.

#### Annex 2 Winners

Michele Perry, Earl Palmer, Barbara Doyle, Ann Brown, Fred Curtis, Carolyn Ouellette, Jeanne French, & Susan Trubacz.

#### Main Room Winners

Shannon Murray, Gordon Osgood, Kathy Mangum, Stephanie Leone, Thora Saikevicz, John Haley, Pam Kendall, Pam Kryskow