

GEORGE H. & ELLA M. RODGERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

by Betsey Martel

This summer 361 children participated in the summer reading program! The kids read 2,950 hours!

Thank you to all the 2009 Summer Reading Program contributors!!

Alvirne High School
American Defenders of N.H.
Bedford Fields Garden Center
Boston Duck Tours
The Butterfly Place
Canobie Lake Park
The Children's Museum of N.H.
Chunky's Cinema & Pub
The Friends of the Library of Hudson, N.H.
Fun World
Hudson Fire Department
Hudson Highway Department
Hudson Police Department
McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center
Roller Kingdom
Seacoast Science Center
SEE Science Center
Squam Lakes Natural Science Center
T-Bones Great American Eatery
U.S. Army Reserve
York's Wild Kingdom

Fall Programs

Lullaby Lapsit: ages birth- 23 months: Thursdays 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Time: age 2: Thursdays 9:30 a.m.

Story Time: ages 3-5: Monday 10:00 a.m., Tuesday 10:00 a.m., Tuesday 6:00 p.m. **OR** Thursday 1:00 p.m.

Book Bunch: grades k-3: Monday 3:30 p.m.

Don't Judge a Book by its Cover Gang: grades 4 & 5: Wednesday 3:30 p.m.

Homeschool Small Adventures: ages 3-6: Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

Homeschool Story Explorers: ages 7-12: Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

Miss Megan's Craft Night: ages 5-12: Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Crazy Craft Days: Saturday: all day while supplies last (no registration required).

*Check out our Children's web page: <http://www.rodgerslibrary.org/index.php/children>

Hot New DVDs 24 - Seasons 1-6

The Curious Case of Benjamin Button

Coraline

Gran Torino

High School Musical 3

Valkyrie

Watchmen

Also, we received a large donation of older popular titles that have been added to the collection. Be sure to browse through the films to find these many titles that are new to us.

Farewell To Senator Edward Kennedy



"A strong proponent of libraries, Senator Edward Kennedy worked tirelessly with our nation's librarians to make sure everyone could get access to quality library services. His death is a great loss for this country. His passion for public service and the loss of his legislative skills will be felt on Capitol Hill for years to come."
ALA District Dispatch, August 26

DIRECTOR'S DESK

by Toni Weller

As schools open their doors for another year of classes, we remind parents and children that it's the perfect time to get the most important school supply of all, a library card. September is "Library Card Sign-up Month." All you need to obtain a library card is proof of residence - drivers license, water bill, etc. or be sixteen years of age with a school ID.

Job Search Skills

The Library has resources that can hone your job-searching skills, perfect your resume, and prepare you for that interview. These useful and practical skills are an online component of the *Learning Express Library*, offered to library patrons through our website. You may have already used this online testing database and some of its 700+ practice tests. *Learning Express Library* can now help you in a job search too.

Try their new Job Search and Workplace Skills preparation courses:

- Job Search (2 tutorials)
 - Determining What You Want From Your Career
 - Job Search and Networking Skills
- Resumes (2 tutorials)
 - Creating Great Resumes
 - Creating Great Cover Letters.
- Interview Tips to Get the Job You Want.
- Succeeding on the Job
- Business Writing

Learning Express Library is accessible 24/7 via the library's website: <http://www.rodgerslibrary.org>. Just click on ONLINE RESOURCES and log in to *LearningExpress Library* with the number on the back of your Library borrower's card plus your pin number.

Usage Increases At Rogers Memorial Library

Our circulation of materials increased 30.5% this July compared with July of last year.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

Friends Of The Library Book Sale Resumes

The Friends of the Library book sale *Secondhand Prose* will take place Sunday, September 13 from 12-3 p.m. at Hills Memorial Library, 18 Library Street, in the former Children's Room. Applications to the Friends of the Library will be available there or at the new library. Members enjoy access to the sale at 11 a.m. Books for adults and children, videos, CDs and more will be available. Most hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks, 50 cents.

The regular book sale hours are the same day, time and place. The Friends of the Library of Hudson N.H. will be meeting on September 15 at 7 p.m., at the Rodgers Memorial Library community room. New members are always welcome! Stop by for an application.

Book Donations

The library is currently accepting donations of **current popular fiction** for the book sale shelf in the library.

The Friends of the Hudson Library accept donations of children's books, nonfiction, older fiction and Harlequin type romance novels. We are sorry that we cannot accept old text books, out of date computer manuals or other books that are not in saleable condition. Donations may be dropped off at the Rodgers Library.

LABOR DAY CLOSING



Monday, September 7, is Labor Day. We will be closed and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8.

REFERENCE & INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

by Gayle St. Cyr

September Library Card Sign-up Month

September is Library Sign-up Month. A library card connects all of us to a whole world of information and ideas. Libraries also offer newspapers, magazines, CDs, DVDs, audio books, public



computers, online databases, museum pass discounts, programming for children and adults. If you haven't already signed up for a library card, come by soon and do so.

Social Security Benefits Seminar Wednesday, September 30, 7 p.m.



Plan For Your Future Retirement And Consider Your Retirement Options

On Wednesday, September 30 at 7 p.m., Kenneth Baron, Metropolitan Public Affairs Specialist of the Social Security Administration, will present a seminar on Social Security benefits. The Seminar will be hosted by Don Semmes, Financial Advisor from Morgan Stanley & Co. This is definitely a timely topic of interest because of the ongoing issue of the future of Social Security. Learn how to understand Social Security benefits and how to access them online, learn when to file for retirement benefits and Medicare. By the end of the evening, you should know how to get a Social Security estimate of your benefits and know the rules on how you can continue to work and still collect benefits. **ADMISSION IS FREE.** For more information and to pre-register call the Reference Department at 603-886-6030.

ADULT & YOUTH SERVICES

by Amy Friedman

Free Movie Night September 10 – The Curious Case Of Benjamin Button

Join us on Thursday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. to see *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, the story of a man who ages backwards through the 20th century.

Free Movie Nights are sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Check our newsletter and website, rodgerslibrary.org, to find information on upcoming films.

Games Night For All Ages Thursday, September 17

Come to the library on Thursday, September 17 from 6:30 p.m. on for an evening of games. We have "Apples to Apples", Chess, Scrabble, Monopoly, and more. Games for young children are available too or you can bring a favorite game from home. Refreshments will be served.

We will be holding *Games Night* the third Thursday of each month. A great activity for the whole family!

Check Out A Game To Play At The Library

The Reference Department has popular board and table games that can be played in the library. Sign out *Scrabble*, *Monopoly*, *Chess*, *Checkers*, *Apples to Apples*, *Backgammon* or *Bananagrams* and enjoy the fun.

Afternoon & Evening Book Discussions : *Exile* By Richard North Patterson

A fast-paced legal thriller dealing with international terrorism, and the American Jewish lawyer and Palestinian professor caught in the middle. The novel introduces characters on both sides of complex Israeli/Palestinian issues. The afternoon book group will meet Tuesday, September 15 at 1:30 p.m. and the evening book group will meet September 22 at 7 p.m.

The afternoon book discussion group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m., the evening book discussion group meets on the fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m. The Books are available at the circulation desk. Call 886-6030 for more information or to add your

name to our book group mailing list.

Future Book Discussion Titles

October 20 & 27: *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini

November 17 & 24: *A Long Way Gone: memoir of a boy soldier* by Ishmael Beah

December: No Book Discussion

January 19 & 26: *The Source* by James Michener

Playreading Circle

The library holds a monthly *Playreading Circle*. Multiple copies of play scripts are 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. This month's meeting will be on September 16 at 6:30 p.m. The play being read is Neil Simon's award winning comedy *Barefoot in the Park*.

Playreading Circle meets most months on the second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. In September we are meeting on the third Wednesday. Meeting time is subject to change. Call to confirm the date or check our website rodgerslibrary.org. Call Amy Friedman at 886-6030 X 4522 for more information.

New Adult Fiction

The Traffickers
W.E.B. Griffin

The Girl Who Played With Fire
Stieg Larsson

Twenties Girl Sophie Kinsella

That Old Cape Magic
Richard Russo

The Defector Daniel Silva

(some available as audio books)

Family History Month Programs Mark Your Calendars !!

October 7
Introduction to Family Research
7:00 p.m.

October 13
Creating a Family History Book with Family Tree Maker
1:30 p.m.

October 14
Introduction to Family Research
1:00 p.m.

October 15
Online Genealogy Databases
10:30 a.m.

October 20
Creating a Family History Book with Family Tree Maker
7:00 p.m.

October 22
Finding Family History Records
1:00 p.m.

October 26
Online Genealogy Databases
7:00 p.m.

October 29
Finding Family History Records
7:00 p.m.

Free Fall Computer Workshops

Pre-register in person or call 886-6030, extension 4518 or 4522. (Ψ means mouse and keyboarding skills are needed for workshop.)

September 10, Thursday Ψ
Introduction to the Internet
1 p.m.

September 17, Thursday Ψ
Introduction to Microsoft Word
7 p.m.

September 24, Thursday Ψ
Job Search Online
1:30 p.m.

September 29, Tuesday Ψ
Introduction to Computers
10:30 a.m.

October 7, Wednesday Ψ
Introduction to Microsoft Excel
7 p.m.

October 15, Thursday Ψ
Genealogy
10:30 a.m.

October 20, Thursday Ψ
Introduction to E-mail
10:30 a.m.

October 26 Thursday Ψ
Genealogy
10:30 a.m.