

Seekonk Public Library News | 08.2011 August 2011

A monthly newsletter from the Seekonk Public Library

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Greetings From the Library Director

Over 8,000 Seekonk residents have current library cards. Hundred's use the library every day and yet still I hear people ask the question of why we need a public library when we have the Internet. I guess that is a good question to ask the 8,000 people who use our public library?

My guess is some are using the books we have always provided and now some are using the downloadable ebooks. Music CD's , DVD's and talking books fly out of this building but each morning people fly into the building to use our computers because not everyone can afford a computer in their home. Collaboration is the big word in education and business and I see it happening all the time in the library.

Librarians who just shuffle paper have their days numbered but librarians who help you navigate the Internet to find information that is authoritative will live on. Let us not forget the children who first experience literacy through their public library's programs.

There is no question that public libraries are changing to meet the need for a diverse universe of information but from where I sit, the Internet is just one part of this universe.

Featured Database



[BYKI ONLINE- "Seriously Addictive Language Learning"](#)

BYKI stands for Before You Know It-the rate at which you will be speaking a new language! Interactive flash card lessons, spoken conversations,"Word of the Day" and mini-lesson emails are only the beginning when you begin using BYKI.

Once you sign up for the program, you will have access to more than 70 languages to choose from. You get to decide whether to learn one or try them all! You must call or stop by the library in order to register for this database. Once your registration is complete, you can access BYKI from any Internet connection in the world.

Make your goal of learning a new language a reality today with this free and easy resource from the Seekonk Public Library!

Upcoming Events

Adult Services

Wednesday, August 3	6:30 PM	Summer Concert Series: Vini Ames And Sh-Bop We will be rocking around the clock when oldies band Vini Ames and Sh-Bop take over the Meadows with their brand of classic fun. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library.
Tuesday, August 9	6:30 PM	Monday Night Book Discussion <i>Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet</i> by Jamie Ford. *Special Tuesday night meeting.
Wednesday, August 10	6:00 PM	Scrapbooking with Darshell Silva Scrapbooking expert Darshell Silva will join us this evening for an introduction to scrapbooking and designing your own page. Bring your photos and supplies (if you have any) and we will provide some as well. Space is limited, Registration is required .
Friday, August 12	7:00 PM	Friday Night Flix! This romantic comedy and foreign film is a story of a shy young woman who has a love of life's small pleasures. When she successfully tracks down the owner of a box of boyhood treasures that she found in her house she begins to believe she might have the power to influence more of the people around her. The French cast of stars includes Audrey Tautou in the title role. The film is rated R and the running time is 2 hours, 2 minutes.
Saturdays, August 13, 20, 27	10:30 AM	Zumba Gold® Back by popular demand, instructor Sara Greene returns with a 3 week session, this time for Zumba Gold. Slower paced than regular Zumba, these classes include easy to follow moves with flexibility and bone strengthening segments. This class is perfect for beginners and seniors, or anyone wanting to enjoy this exhilarating dance fitness movement without exhausting themselves in the summer heat! Registration is required . Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library.

[SUMMER CONCERT SERIES: JUMPIN' JUBA](#)
 Jumpin' Juba combines swamp-rock, classic boogie-woogie, folk, Memphis rock & roll, and a playful use of everything from calypso to country for their unique Blues sound. Join us for the finale to our outdoor concert series. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library.

Wednesday,
 August 17 6:30 PM

[FRIDAY NIGHT FLIX!](#)
 This film choice is a classic upper-crust comedy released in 1940. It's a brilliant adaptation of the Philip Barry play set in the high society of the Philadelphia "Mainline." Tracy Lord (Katharine Hepburn) is a wealthy heiress in search of romance. Cary Grant plays her ex-husband, and James Stewart won an Academy Award® for his role as the reporter who falls in love with her. This film, in black and white, is not rated, and the running time is 112 minutes. This event is free and open to the public!

Friday,
 August 26 7:00 PM

Youth Services

[KIDS MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE](#)
 Set in the mythical world of burly Vikings and wild dragons and based on the book by Cressida Cowell, this action comedy tells the story of Hiccup, a Viking teenager who doesn't exactly fit in with his tribe's longstanding traditions of heroic dragon slayers. This film is rated PG and the running time is 98 minutes.

Monday,
 August 1 2:00 PM

[ZUMBA for KIDS!](#)
 This class is FULL.

Tuesdays,
 August 2, 9, 16 3:00 PM

[WHERE IN THE WORLD IS...?](#)
 This class is FULL.

Thursdays,
 August 4, 11, 18 3:00 PM

[PLAY GROUP](#)
 Children age 18 months - 3 years and their caretakers. Toys and activities facilitated by AHS Early Intervention and offered through the Dighton Rehoboth Seekonk and Swansea Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant. [Registration IS REQUIRED](#).

Fridays,
 August 5, 12, 19, 26 10:00 AM

[DRAWING & PAINTING: People, Places & Animals](#)
 This class is FULL.

Fridays,
 August 5, 12 1:00 PM

[Harry Potter Movie Marathon!](#)

Saturday,
 August 6 9:00 AM

Monday, August 8	2:00 PM	<p>Join us for the finale of our Harry Potter Movie Marathon. The last 3 DVDs in the series, rated PG, will be shown starting at 9 am, 11:30 am and 2:15 pm. No registration is needed. Call the Children's Room for more detailed information. Popcorn will be available, but the audience can bring their own snacks!</p> <p>KIDS MONDAY MOVIE MATINEE</p> <p>After super-villain Megamind kills his good-guy nemesis, Metro Man, he becomes bored since there is no one left to fight. He creates a new foe, Titan, who, instead of using his powers for good, sets out to destroy the world, positioning Megamind to save the day for the first time in his life. This film is rated PG and the running time is 96 minutes.</p>
Monday, August 8	6:00 PM	<p>Juggling Demonstration/Workshop</p> <p>Henry the Juggler is considered armed (and legged) and dangerous! He's known to cause spontaneous outbursts of laughter! This program is sponsored by a grant from the Seekonk Cultural Council. It's free and open to the public!</p>

Computer Classes

Computer Classes for August and September

Basic Computers Series

[Thursday, August 4 - 6:00 pm - Basic Computers](#)

[Thursday, August 18 - 6:00 pm - Basic Internet](#)

[Thursday, September 8 – 1:30 pm – Basic Computers](#)

[Thursday, September 15 – 1:30 pm – Basic Internet](#)

[Thursday, September 22 – 1:30 pm – Basic Email](#)

Microsoft Office Series

[Tuesday, August 23 - 1:30 pm - Excel Quickstart](#)

[Tuesday, September 13 – 6:00 pm – Word I: Basics](#)

[Monday, September 19 – 6:00 pm – Word II: Editing & Layout](#)

[Tuesday, September 27 – 6:00 pm – Excel I: Basics](#)

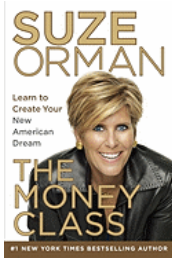
Other Computer Classes

[Tuesday, August 16 - 1:30 pm - Digital Photographs](#)

[Saturday, September 10 – 9:30 am – Optimal Resume](#)

[Saturday, September 17 – 9:30 am – Facebook](#)

Staff Reviews



The Money Class: Learn to Create Your New American Dream

By [Orman, Suze](#)

2011-03 - Spiegel & Grau

9781400069736 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Pauline says:

Great advice from Suze Orman. Money class is empowering for anyone to read or listen to on audiobook. She covers investing for new income and for retirement in the new economy. A must read for anyone and everyone.



The Guardian Angel's Journal

By [Jess-Cooke, Carolyn](#)

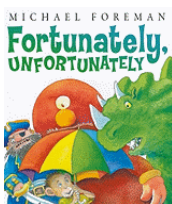
2011-04 - GuidepostsBooks

9780824948795 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Carol says:

When Margot Delacroix dies, she is sent back to earth as a guardian angel to herself.

She has been renamed Ruth, her mission on earth is to keep a journal of her past life and to protect and love her former self. Ruth tries to encourage Margot to make the right decisions to make her life a little easier. Ruth has to re-experience her birth, her troubled childhood, her first love, her son's birth and her own death. As she has this second chance at life she must record her biggest mistakes and regrets. She has to try to change it and prevent her own death. This is a great angel book and makes you rethink what changes you could have made in your own life.



Fortunately, Unfortunately

By [Foreman, Michael](#)

2011-01 - Andersen Press USA

9780761374602 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Mary Ellen says:

This colorful picture book is a great read aloud with simple text, bright illustrations and a story that children will love, especially the ending (but more on that later)! Milo, the monkey, is sent on an errand to Grandma's house but, along the way, lots of things happen. As soon as the pages turn,

kids will want to guess what happens next to poor Milo, who's put into several cause and effect situations. Oh, remember that pirate ship? Well, you'll just have to read the book to figure out what Milo encounters on the last page! This is a really cute story that I highly recommend!



Traveling While Married

By [Weisman, Mary Lou](#)

Illustrator [Koren, Edward](#)

2003-04 - Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill

9781565123199 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Michelle says:

This was a great find on the Novel Destinations book display. A completely relatable and funny set of essays all about traveling while married, from suitcase space wars, to his/hers trips, traveling with other couples, and more. I read it in one sitting and I look forward to looking up more books from this author.

Library Statistics - June

Items Circulated: 21,637

Children's programs: 17; Attendance: 1260

Adult programs: 14; Attendance: 150

Reference Questions: 345
