

Seekonk Public Library News | 06.11 June 2011

A monthly newsletter about the Seekonk Public Library

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Greetings From the Director - Sharon St. Hilaire

I began last winter's budget presentation to the Seekonk Finance Committee with a quote from Richard III, "Now is the winter of our discontent." It was really our 6th year of discontent. The Board of Library Trustee's budget request asked for additional personnel making it the 6th year they had asked for more staff. Customers had borrowed 25% more materials during those 6 years. The Library Board's concluded that if you don't add staff and you must handle increased demand, the library must innovate using technology. More money was requested for technology and once again the library's request was cut to the lowest dollar amount needed to keep us certified. So if anyone says general government needs to cut their budget, I can say, the library has already made cuts.

The library get approximately 2 cents for every tax dollar collected. If more cuts are needed to balance the budget, I suggest that they be made in the remaining 98 cents. Please support the Seekonk Public Library's 2 cents worth of your tax support.

Featured Program

OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM

BEGINS JUNE 20!

REGISTRATION BEGINS ON JUNE 13.

One World, Many Stories



Summer Reading is taking over the library and there is something for EVERYONE this year! Join us for great events, displays, prizes, summer concerts, free Friday Night Flix and much more. Be sure to add Seekonk Public Library to your mailing list for postcards this year (we will even give you a mailing label) and help us create a collage of all the places our patrons have visited this year!

You can register at the library, by phone, or online through our website at seekonkpl.org. Call the library or check out our "Calendar of Events" for a full listing of programs.

The 2011 Summer Reading program is sponsored by Seekonk Public Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Upcoming Events - click links to register online

Adult Services		
Saturday, June 4	10:30 am	Zumba® Instructor Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library.
Monday, June 6	6:30 pm	Monday Night Book Discussion <i>People of the Book</i> by Geraldine Brooks
Saturdays, June 11, 18, 25	10:30 am	Tai Chi Lead by instructor Mike Pacheco. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library. Register online.
Friday, June 24	7:00 pm	Novel Destinations Movie Night This 2010 Western remake stars Jeff Bridges, Josh Brolin, and Matt Damon and is adapted from a book of the same name. Skip the DVD waitlist and join us for this Friday Night flick! Free and open to the public.
Wednesday, June 29	6:30 pm	Easy Care Roses Master Gardener Cheryl Monroe will show us how to take all the pain out of growing roses. Beginner and experienced gardeners are welcome! Free and open to the public. Sponsored by the Environmental Resource Center.
Youth Services		
Wednesday, June 1	3:45 pm	The Book Bunch Grades K-2... Hear popular Easy Readers and make a fun related craft. Register online.
Fridays, June 3,10, 17 and 24	10:00 am	NEW - Parent Child Playgroup 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 and is available online.

Monday, June 6	10:30 am	ALL MUSIC with Sarah Gardner Children ages birth - 3 1/2 and their caretakers Join us for an interactive music program with sing-alongs, finger plays and musical instruments to liven up your day! Registration IS REQUIRED and is available online.
Tuesday, June 21	6:30 pm	Special Family Night - Nature of the Seashore Author, illustrator, and marine educator Michael Glaser presents live ocean animals and their stories. The children will also have a chance to touch and hold many small tidepool animals, such as starfish, snails and crabs. This program is free and open to all, sponsored by the Environmental Resource Center.
Wednesday, June 22	4:00 pm	Teddy Bear P.J. Party Schools Out Special! Bring your teddy bear for fun stories and a craft. Put them to bed and pickup in the morning after 10 am. Stay for our movie right after!
Wednesday, June 22	4:45 pm	Family Movie! Enjoy a special showing of a FAMILY MOVIE about a bear from Jellystone Park and his side- kick Boo-Boo! It's rated PG and the running time is 82 minutes. The movie is free and open to the public. You don't need to attend the Pajama Party to come to the movie.
Monday, June 27	5:30 pm	Family Night - PETTING ZOO featuring Animal Affair This program is free and open to all, sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Public Library.

Computer Classes for June and July

Registration is required. Click the links to register.

Basic Computers Series

Tuesday, June 7 - 6:00 pm - Basic Computers

Tuesday, June 14 - 6:00 pm - Basic Internet

Tuesday, June 28 - 6:00 pm - Basic Email

Tuesday, July 12 - 1:30 pm - Basic Computers

Tuesday, July 19 - 1:30 pm - Basic Internet

Microsoft Office Series

Thursday, June 2 - 1:30 pm - Excel II

Thursday, June 9- 1:30 pm - Excel III

Thursday, June 16- 1:30 pm - PowerPoint Basics

Thursday, July 21 - 6:00 pm - Word Quickstart

Other Computer Classes

Saturday, June 25 - 9:30 am - Optimal Resume

Thursday, July 28 - 6:00 pm - Digital Photographs

Announcements

Get Your Reminders with Library Elf

Register your library card for Library Elf alerts and never miss holds or have late fees again! With this service you can get email, RSS or cellphone text messages for overdue items and holds as often as you choose. [Sign up today!](#)

Check Out a Nook with Your Seekonk Library Card

Experience the next generation of books beginning June 15! Nooks will be available for checkout preloaded with dozens of today's bestselling titles. Authors featured on our Nooks include James Patterson, Janet Evanovich, Tina Fey, Rob Lowe, Mary Higgins Clark, Jean Auel, and Charlaine Harris.

Nooks can only be checked out with a Seekonk Library card and must be returned directly to Seekonk Library staff. Ask for more details at the Information Desk.

Donate E-Books to the Library While You Shop with LibraryBIN

When you purchase your digital ebooks and audiobooks on LibraryBIN through our Overdrive website, the library receives your purchase amount to buy new books for our digital collection. The prices are great and everyone wins when you purchase from LibraryBIN. Get more information online at our Download Library.

Summer Reading and Summer Concert Lineup

Get ready for summertime fun! Our Summer Concert Series goes outdoors beginning July 6th. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to get comfortable in the Meadows to enjoy this year's performers:

July 6 - Bill Harley (family concert)

July 20 - Forever Young (Neil Young tribute band)

August 3 - Vini Ames and Sh-Bop (oldies Rock & Roll)

August 17 - Jumpin' Juba (blues)

Library Card Requirement

Thank you to all who have been presenting your library card for all library transactions. Cards are now required in order to protect the integrity of your account. If your physical card is not available, please bring a current photo id and proof of address (e.g. driver's license) to the main desk for a replacement card.

Staff Reviews

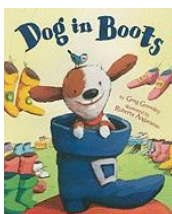


Ultra Dance

By Various Artists
Popular Music CDS

Pauline says:

I have enjoyed our collection of Ultra Dance cds-especially numbers 3-11. This series mixes dance beats, popular songs, and famous djs. David Guerra was mixing the beats on this series long before he was on the top 40s chart. The results will leave you dancing and energized for hours. These are perfect whether you are looking to shake up your exercise routine or you just need a little extra beat to get you motivated.



Dog in Boots

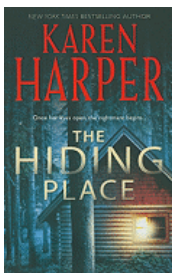
By *Gormley, Greg*
Illustrator *Angarano, Roberta*

2011-02 - Holiday House

9780823423477 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Mary Ellen says:

Dog reads the book, Puss In Boots, and wants a pair of fancy boots for himself. The shoe salesman at the store gives him a pair, but boots aren't very practical when you dig. Then he goes back for rain boots which work for digging, but they're not great for swimming. Dog continues to search for the perfect shoe to do all the things he does during a typical day until this cute canine learns, dah, that maybe his paws are just what he needs! Then he then reads about...well, let's not spoil it for you. This book is adorable!



The Hiding Place

By *Harper, Karen*
2008-11 - Mira Books

9780778325888 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Carol says:

Tara Kensile awakes from being in a coma for nine months. Upon her awakening she discovers her best friend, Alexis, has been murdered, leaving Tara as guardian to her daughter Claire. Tara's husband has divorced her for another woman and also Tara's doctor tells her that upon his examination she gave birth to a child she knows nothing about. She has to start her life over reopening her PI firm while taking care of Claire.

More things start to unravel while Tara tries to find out the mystery about her child. Good romantic suspense novel.

Library Statistics - April

Items Circulated: 23,404

Children's programs: 17; Attendance: 507

Adult programs:12; Attendance: 170

Reference Questions: 300