

Seekonk Public Library News | 05.11 May 2011

A monthly newsletter about the Seekonk Public Library

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Greetings from the Director - Sharon St. Hilaire

While books are still the most used format in our collection, DVD's are also borrowed frequently. We try to offer a wide variety of popular movies and we have a wonderful collection of indie films, films produced outside of the major studios. We look for award winning titles like *Garden State* or *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*. Of the Top Ten on one list I checked, we owned 8 of the titles. We also own a wide variety of PBS and BBC titles, many that you would not find in a Redbox. If you missed Masterpiece's *Downton Abbey*, you can find it here. Another not to be missed series is *Hope Springs*. Another time I will introduce you to the fabulous foreign movie collection we have available to you.

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How It Works

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Are you looking for a new job or changing careers? Are you venturing into using social media to expand the reach of your job search? Is your resume not getting the response you think it should? Then, Optimal Resume is the tool you need to take your job search to the next level!

Build your resume in minutes by filling in the answers to the questions about your experience, education, and goals. Once you have done this, pick the resume format you like best and Optimal Resume will do the rest!

In this tough economy, any small advantage can make a huge difference. Let Optimal Resume work for you by putting forth your best face on the web. Design a website,

update your Facebook and LinkedIn profiles and prepare an email ready resume and cover letter.

Optimal Resume does not stop once your application has been submitted. Assess your skills, write personalized cover letters for each job, prepare for your interview and more with this easy-to-use tool.

Have questions? Come see Michelle and Melissa at the front desk and we would be happy to help you set up your account and get started. Or join Michelle on Saturday, May 21st at 9:30 am for a hands-on workshop. We are ready to help you with all of your job search needs.

Upcoming Events - [click links to register online](#)

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| Adult Services | | |
| Wednesday, May 4 | 6:00 pm | Spring Flower Arrangement for the Home Instructor Marjorie Johnston. Registration is required. Class size is limited, priority given to Seekonk residents. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library. |
| Monday, May 9 | 6:30 pm | Monday Night Book Discussion <i>House Rules</i> by Jodi Picoult |
| Saturdays, May 14, 21, 28, June 4 | 10:30 am | Zumba® Instructor Sara Greene. Registration is required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library. |
| Wednesday, May 25 | 6:30 pm | Fly Fishing: Score Your Biggest Catch Presenter Jim Graney. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library |
| Tuesday, May 31 | 6:00 pm | How to Bake a Perfect Pie Instructor Kara LaBelle. Registration is required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library |
| Youth Services | | |
| Wednesdays, May 4, 11, 18, 25 | 3:45 pm | Book Bunch Grades K -2. Hear popular Easy Readers and make a fun related craft. Register online. |
| Monday, May 9 | 6:30 pm | Parent/Child Book Club Grades 4 and up. <i>The Other Side of the Island</i> by Allgra Goodman. Register online. |
| Monday, May 16 | 6:30 pm | Seekonk Majorettes Demonstration Watch the Seekonk Majorettes perform their fun routines combining dance and baton twirling skills. This program is free and open to all! |
| Monday, May 23 | 6:30 pm | Family Night - Lisa & Friends! Wear your 50's inspired white t-shirts, jeans, leather jackets, etc for this "musical cabaret" featuring life size puppets. This program is free and open to all, sponsored by the Friends of the Seekonk Library. |

Registration Now Open - click links to register
Spring Storytimes - space still available. Register today!

Lapsit - Mondays at 10:30 am
April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23 (no session May 30)
Toddler - Tuesdays at 10:30 am
April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Preschool - Wednesdays at 1:30 pm
April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1
Preschool - Thursdays at 10:30 am
April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 2

ALL MUSIC with Sarah Gardner

10:30 am Monday, June 6
for children birth to 3 1/2.

Tai Chi

10:30 am Saturdays, June 11 - July 2 (4 sessions)
Lead by instructor Mike Pacheco.

Computer Classes for May and June

Registration is required. Click the links to register.

Basic Computers Series

Tuesday, May 3 - 6:00 pm - Basic Computers
Tuesday, May 10 - 6:00 pm - Basic Internet
Tuesday, May 24 - 6:00 pm - Basic Email
Tuesday, June 7 - 6:00 pm - Basic Computers
Tuesday, June 14 - 6:00 pm - Basic Internet
Tuesday, June 28 - 6:00 pm - Basic Email

Microsoft Office Series

Thursday, May 5 - 1:30 pm - Word I
Thursday, May 12 - 1:30 pm - Word II
Thursday, May 19 - 1:30 pm - Excel I
Thursday, June 2 - 1:30 pm - Excel II
Thursday, June 9 - 1:30 pm - Excel III
Thursday, June 16 - 1:30 pm - PowerPoint Basics

Other Computer Classes

Saturday, May 21 - 9:30 am - Optimal Resume
Saturday, June 25 - 9:30 am - Optimal Resume

Announcements

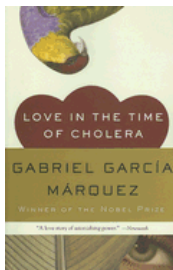
Friends Annual Spring Sale Saturday, May 7

The Friends of the Seekonk Public Library will host their Annual Spring Sale Saturday, May 7 from 10 am - 2 pm. Come get incredible deals on handmade gifts and crafts, plants, and of course books!

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



Love in the Time of Cholera

By *Garcia Marquez, Gabriel*

Translator *Grossman, Edith*

2007-10 - Vintage Books USA

9780307389732 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Sharon St. Hilaire says:

Love in the Time of Cholera by Gabriel Garcia Marquez is one of the books we put on our list of books to read at another time. I have just finished it and it is the best book I have read in ages. It is a romantic love story that is timeless. Usually I speed read novels, but with this book I have savored every word. The main characters Fermina Daza and Florentino Ariza have a love that spans over 50 years. All of the people that come into their life are described so that they each form a piece of the puzzle that is Fermina and Florentino's lives. Yes, this is a love story but it an exquisite love story that shows such insight into human nature and all our emotions. If you want a change of pace, read this book.



There's Cake in My Future

By *Gruenenfelder, Kim*

2010-12 - St. Martin's Griffin

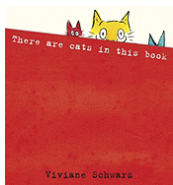
9780312614591 [Check Our Catalog](#)

Melissa says:

I was in need of a fun, light read when *There's Cake in My Future* appeared in the new book section. Nic is getting married and she wants her closest friends to see their wildest dreams come true too, so she designs a fixed charm pull for her cake. Everything is going perfectly, until her friends all pull the wrong charm. When her guests all start seeing their charms turn into reality, everyone is happy except for Nic and her two best friends because the thought of a family, a life filled with work, and not getting married now seem like their worst nightmares. What are they going to do if they are doomed to the lives their charms predict?

Nicole, Seema, and Mel are all likeable, successful women. It is hard not to relate to their struggles in relationships and their careers. The cake charms are a great way to explore how these women really feel about their lives and how what we want is not always what the universe as planned for us.

I really enjoyed this and was sad when it ended. Even though the story stands on its own, I am hoping for a sequel to see where the women's charms lead them next!



There Are Cats in This Book

By *Schwarz, Viviane*

Illustrator *Schwarz, Viviane*

2008-11 - Candlewick Press (MA)

9780763639235 [Check Our Catalog](#)

An Indie Next Selection

Mary Ellen says:

OK, so if you don't like cats, stop reading! If you do, can you remember when you last played with cats inside a BOOK?! This fun lift-the-flap picture book introduces Tiny, Andre, and Moonpie, three colorful and very friendly kitties who want YOU to play with them along with their balls of yarn, empty cardboard boxes and fluffy pillows. By turning the pages and flipping the flaps, YOU can play their favorite games, too! I can't wait to read it to Cyrus, Nicki, Eliot, Rufus, Oreo, and Charley while they lay amid their dozens of toys in my living room! This clever book has wonderfully bright illustrations, and I'm rating it a 5-star must read!

Library Statistics - March

Items Circulated: 25,944

Children's programs: 24; Attendance: 691

Adult programs: 13; Attendance: 98

Reference Questions: 365