

MADISON LIBRARY Newsletter

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Madison Library receives a We the People Bookshelf grant



The Madison Library has recently received a "We the People" Bookshelf grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. This gift was awarded to the library through the "We the People" Bookshelf national grant project. The Madison Library was one of 4,000 libraries across the country selected to receive the grant, which provided free hardcover editions of 17 classic books for children, teens, and adults on the theme of "A More Perfect Union." The grant was awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) in cooperation with the American Library Association.

★ Look ahead in this newsletter for the star that marks upcoming programs and events with the theme "A More Perfect Union." Be sure to stop by the library and pick up a brochure that lists the "We the People" Bookshelf book titles plus full descriptions of all the events.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:



Thursday, June 10 at 7 pm—Skywatch with NH Astronomical Society. Start indoors with a presentation on using a telescope, then out to Burke Field to gaze at the sky. Learn about the library's new telescope, which can be checked out. Rain date June 11.

Thursday, June 17 at 7 pm—"Your Hit Parade: 25 years presenting America's top songs," a NH Humanities Council program jointly sponsored by the Friends of Madison Library and the Madison Historical Society. The radio and television program "Your Hit Parade" chronicled American popular music from 1935 to 1959. Presenter Calvin Knickerbocker will outline how the show served as a "tastemaker," featuring recordings of songs from the Great Depression to the advent of rock and roll.



Tuesday, June 22 at 3:30 to 5 pm—Children's Book Sale, a fundraiser for our Summer Reading Program.

★ Thursdays at 4 pm June 24 through August 26 (no film August 5)—Film series, Ken Burns' *Civil War*. We'll be showing one episode per week in the air conditioned Chick Room. Bring your own snack.

★ Thursday, June 24 at 7 pm—Celebration concert and dessert reception to mark the library's recent "We the People" Bookshelf grant award.



Local musicians Kevin and Michelle Coffey and Natalie Rawlins perform popular songs from the Civil War. After the performance, enjoy refreshments and an

opportunity to browse through and check out the books that the library received through this grant. Sign up for our "We the People" family reading challenge.

Monday, June 28 at 7 pm—Adult Book Group meets to discuss *Out Stealing Horses* by Per Petterson. Books will be available to borrow in early June; all are welcome, refreshments.

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Tuesday, June 29 at 3:30 pm—"Make a Splash" summer reading program kick-off. Stacy Sand will bring music and wet and wild games for this kick-off celebration. Sign up for our summer reading programs for kids, teens, & adults starting June 29. See full description of our summer reading program on attached flyer.

Every other Wednesday June 30 - August 11—Wii Mario Kart racing tournament for teens and kids 11 and up. Two racers at a time. Compete online against teams at other NH libraries every other Wednesday, June 30 through August 11. Trophy at the end for the library that wins the most races! Contact us to sign up.



Tuesdays in July, 4:30-6 pm—"Let's Go Fishing!" Learn to fish with NH Fish & Game. Trained volunteer instructors present this free series of classes. Three weekly classroom sessions will cover safety, equipment, weather, fish identification, ecology & biology, simple knot tying, and more. Fourth session will be a fishing field trip to a local stream or lake to practice what you've learned. Equipment provided. For kids ages 8 to 12 accompanied by an adult. Sign up for this 4-session course by calling the library at 367-8545. Space is limited, so sign up only if you can commit to all 4 sessions.



★ Wednesday, July 7 at 7pm—"Firefighters in the Civil War," a NH Humanities Council program presented by Lew Gage. This program explores the forming of the 1st Fire Zouaves by Colonel Elmer Ellsworth, his ties to New Hampshire, and his relationship with President and Mrs. Lincoln. Gage will detail the exploits of the 1st Fire Zouaves (11th New York), 2nd Fire Zouaves, (73rd New York), Birney's Fire Zouaves (23rd PA), and Baxter's Fire Zouaves (72nd PA). Also men-



Saturday, July 17 at 10 am—"Make a Splash" Magic Show with magician Debbie O'Carroll

Saturday, July 17 at 11:15 am—"Make a Splash origami workshop. Children 6 and up are invited to stay after the magic show to make origami puppets with Debbie O'Carroll. Limited space, call to sign up.



★ Tuesday, July 20 at 6 pm—Teen Book club, eat pizza and talk about *Hitch* by Jeannette Ingold. Pick up a copy ahead of time. Adults are welcome, too.

★ Tuesday, July 20 at 7 pm—"The Civilian Conservation Corps in the White Mountain National Forest." Learn about the CCC's work in NH during the Depression. Forest rangers will present this program, we hope also to have a local person who worked for the CCC talk about his experiences.

Monday, July 26 at 7 pm—Adult Book Group meets to discuss *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf. Books available to borrow in early July; all are welcome, snacks. Brack Hinchey will lead this month's discussion.

Saturday, August 7, 9 am to 1 pm—Friends of Madison Library book sale! Sorted for easy browsing and priced right. Donations welcome up to July 31st, no smelly books, textbooks, encyclopedias, or condensed books, please!



Sunday, August 8 at 3 pm, at the foot of Silver Lake—Summer Reading wrap-up party at the Old Home Week beach party.

Monday, August 9 through Friday, August 13 during library open hours—Old Home Week Photo Show. Vote for your favorite photo for people's choice. Judges will award first, second, third prize ribbons. See details about show and how to enter a photo on next page. *See more events next page*

★ Tuesday, August 17 at 6 pm—Teen Book club, eat pizza and talk about *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson. Pick up book ahead of time. Adults welcome to join us. All are invited to stay after for the related program, "NH's Black History."

★ Tuesday, August 17 at 7 pm—"True Stories from NH's Black History," a NH Humanities Council program presented by historic preservationist Valerie Cunningham. Legends about historic New Hampshire typically omit people of color, from colonial times through the 20th century, creating the impression that this always has been a "lily-white" state. Cunningham will recount some of the fascinating true stories that illustrate NH's Black history.



Saturday, August 21 at 12:30 pm—Book and Author Luncheon. Friends of Madison Library annual event features a delicious homemade luncheon followed by a presentation by local author Dr. Brian Irwin, who will talk about his book "Recompense: Streams, Summits, and Reflections." Tickets will be available at the beginning of August. Copies of the book will be available for sale and signing.

★ Tuesday, August 24 at 6 pm—Community Pot Luck and Book Discussion. Bring a dish to share and join us for a discussion of "The Great Little



Madison," Jean Fritz's biography of Founding Father and our town's namesake James Madison. We'll share a potluck meal and talk about President Madison's contributions to our country, and why our town's founders chose to name this town after him. Written for older children, award-winning author Fritz makes this book an accessible and fun read for all ages. Consider it as a family read-aloud to include younger children. Pick up a book at the library ahead of time.

Ongoing events:

Tuesdays, 10:30am—Preschool story times, 6-week session runs from July 6 through August 10. Stories and rhymes, plus songs, movement, or a craft.



Tuesdays, 3:30 to 4:30 pm July 6 through August 3 (program on July 27 starts at 2:30)—Summer Reading Program activity for children ages 4 and up. Weekly activities based on our "Make a Splash!" theme. See details on attached flyer.

Third Wednesday of each month, 3:30pm—Board of Trustees meeting.

★ Thursdays at 4 pm June 24 through August 26 (no meeting August 5)—Film, Ken Burns' *Civil War*.

Art Show in the Chick Room:

July Art Show—Photographs by MaryJane Beattie. Visit during open hours whenever the room isn't being used for another program.

Old Home Week Photo Show and Contest



Third Annual Madison Library Old Home Week Photo Show and Contest, open August 9 through 14 in the library's Chick Room during library hours. This year's theme is WATER, to go along with our "Make a Splash" summer reading theme. Photos must be taken in Madison. Judges from the White Mountain Camera Club will award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes. Again this year is a People's Choice Award based on votes by people who visit the show during Old Home Week, the winner of which will have his or her winning photo featured on the header of the library's website. Entry guidelines and forms are available at the library and on the library's website. Please bring your ready-for-hanging photo (with hanging wire, in a mat and/or frame, NO EASEL BACKS) to the library by August 6th at 6pm to have your photo included in the show. Awards will be given out at 6pm (before the Old Home Week parade) on Friday, August 13.

Madison Library Calendar, Summer 2010 See descriptions of events on pages 1-3

Sunday Library closed	Monday Hours: 2 to 5	Tuesday Hours: 10 to 6	Wednesday Hours: 2 to 7	Thursday Hours: 2 to 7	Friday Hours: 10 to 6	Saturday Hours: 9 to 1
JUNE 20	21	22 2 to 5: Children's book sale	23	24 4pm: "Civil War" 7pm: Celebration concert	25	26
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4 July Art Show, during library open hours: Photos by MaryJane Beattie	5	6 10:30am: Storytime 3:30pm: Summer Reading Program 4:30: Fishing	7	8 4pm: "Civil War"	9	10
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