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It is my pleasure to announce the promotion of Ms. Dee Santoso to Deputy Library Director. Dee has been with the Manchester City Library for the past 14 years as our Head of Information Services. Dee started her career with the library back as one of the original library clerks hired to work at our West Branch when it opened in 1980. She earned her Masters in Library Science from Simmons College. Dee and I will be working to improve customer service, better train our staff, and promote the library in the community.

With Ms. Santoso's promotion, I am also pleased to announce that Ms. Lichen Rancourt has taken over as the supervisor of

our new Information and Technology Division. This new division is being formed by merging two existing divisions. Lichen earned her Masters in Library Science from Syracuse University. In her two years with us she has greatly improved the quality of our public computer system and has assisted staff in becoming more comfortable with emerging technologies.

These changes to the library's management team will enable us to better serve our public. My congratulations to both Dee and Lichen in their new positions!

CAUTION: LIBRARY PROJECTS!

This summer, the library staff will be busy undertaking a project to review our collections of library materials. This project will enable us to begin shifting library collections so that items will be easier to find by our users. You may have noticed that there has already been this type of change in our children's room at the main library—items have been moved around for better flow. We hope to do the same on the main floor of the library in the coming months.

SUMMER HOURS

The libraries will return to our summer schedule beginning the week of June 13th. Our last Saturday that we are open will be June 12th.

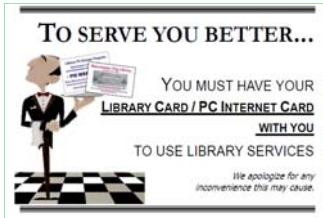
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The library will be closed on July 5th for Independence Day, and on August 25th for a staff development day.



CONCORD STREET CONSTRUCTION

Concord Street, which runs along the north side of the main library, will be under construction this summer. The city will be replacing the sewer lines, and then repaving the street. As many of you know, this street is in pretty bad shape from years of repairs, and is full of potholes. The library's drive-up out-

door book drops will not be accessible between 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, during the project. The children's room entrance will remain open, but please watch our blog for updates. We do not have an official start date for this project.

DON'T FORGET YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

As of May 1st, we have been requiring all of our customers to have their library cards or their Internet cards with them in order to use library services. When you come to the library, please make sure you are carrying your card. If you find your library card is among the missing, a replacement card can be purchased for \$3.00 at the circulation desk. If you have any questions, do ask!

ONE CARD... ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES 2010

Some Things Old, Some Things New

What is old, you ask? Every September, libraries across America urge members of their communities to explore the materials and services available to them at their local libraries. Our hope is to also entice individuals who do not have library cards to take the plunge and become card-carrying members. To add pizzazz to this concept, for the last three years we have teamed with local Manchester businesses to offer discounts and special offers to Manchester City Library cardholders. Whether a new cardholder or a long-standing one, when you present your library card at any of the participating businesses, you get whatever discount or special is being offered. In 2009, we had 38 businesses join us for our One Card program. In addition, while the program is in full swing there is an array of special programming, as well as opportunities to enter raffles.

So, what is new? Change is definitely afoot! At the end of our One Card program in 2009, we canvassed participating businesses for their input on what

time frame they felt was best to run our program. As a result of their feedback, in 2010 the One Card Program will occur in the month of October. Our staff attends an array of open houses throughout the city in September. By running the One Card program in October, all of the families that sign up for library cards at these events can take advantage of our business partners' discounts for the full month. We are excited to report that 15 of the 38 businesses who were part of our program last year will be partners again in 2010.

We are always looking for ways to add snap to our campaign. This year we would like to try doing some radio spots on a local radio station highlighting all the different ways our customers have been helped by library staff and resources. This presents a perfect opportunity to begin establishing your celebrity status! If you would be interested in participating in this undertaking, or if you are a business owner who has an interest in joining the fray, please contact Claudia Mayer by phone at 624-6550 ext. 313, or by email at cmayer@manchesternh.gov. Don't be shy!

NEWS FROM THE MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The foundation board had its annual meeting with the library's board of trustees on March 15th. President Dan Scanlon introduced the recent activities, achievements, and plans for fundraising in 2010. The trustees were receptive and complimented the foundation board for their achievements.

The foundation board recently became a member of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, and we plan to host an after-hours evening with the chamber on December 9th in the library. We are

planning a number of activities for the event, so our guests may learn more about the library.

In closing, the foundation would like to honor the memory of Abbie Jameson, who recently passed away. Abbie was a library employee for thirty years, and those who worked with her remember her love for reading. One of her passions was founding the library's first teen room, and funds donated to the foundation in memory of Abbie will be used to purchase materials for teens.



CATCH A WAVE! MAKE A SPLASH! READ!!

Summer time is great for relaxing outside with a good book, whether you are on a picnic, tanning on the deck, or at the lake or beach. Take a break from your usual authors or genre and read about your surroundings. Here are some titles for light reading—interesting, but not too serious. Look for these titles on our online catalog, or ask the reference librarians for assistance. If you don't want to check them out, a copy may be read in the New Hampshire Room.

Manchester on the Merrimack (1975) by Grace Holbrook Blood (974.2b MAN)
Haunted New Hampshire (2006) by Thomas D'Agostino (133.1 DAG)
Amoskeag: Life in an American Factory City (1978) by Tamara K. Hareven & Randolph Lagenbach (974.28 HAR)
New Hampshire Curiosities: Quirky Characters, Roadside Oddities and Other Offbeat Stuff (2006) by Eric Jones (974.2 JON)
Live Free and Eat Pie: A Storyteller's Guide to New Hampshire (2008) by Rebecca Rule (917.42 RUL)

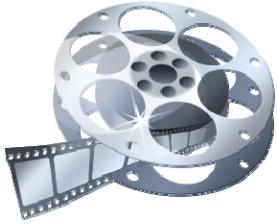
By John Clayton:

In the City (1993; 974.2b MAN)
Faces and Places in the City (1995; 974.2b MAN)
Stark Realities: In the City (1997; 974.2b MAN)
New Hampshire War and Peace (2001; 974.2 CLA)
You Know You're in New Hampshire When... (2005; 974.2 CLA)
Remembering Manchester: Towering Titans and Unsung Heroes (2009; 974.2b MAN)

By Fritz Wetherbee:

Fritz Wetherbee's New Hampshire (2005; 974.2 WET)
I'll Tell You a Story: More of Fritz Wetherbee's New Hampshire (2006; 974.2 WET)
Fritz: More Stories from New Hampshire Chronicle (2007; 974.2 WET)
Fritz Wetherbee: Taken for Granite (2008; 974.2 WET)





SUMMER MOVIES 2010

Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 PM

6/2 - *Cool Runnings* (PG)
 6/9 - *Blind Side* (PG-13)
 6/16 - *Footloose* (PG)
 6/23 - *All About Eve* (NR)
 6/30 - *Men in Black* (PG-13)
 7/7 - *1776* (PG)
 7/14 - *Sherlock Holmes* (2009, PG13)
 7/21 - *Jaws* (PG)

7/28 - *Kotch* (PG)
 8/4 - *City of Joy* (PG-13)
 8/11 - *The Lovely Bones* (PG-13)
 8/18 - *Sister Act* (PG)
 8/25 - Library closed

Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM

6/8 - *Blind Side* (PG-13)
 7/13 - *Sherlock Holmes* (2009, PG13)
 8/11 - *The Lovely Bones* (PG-13)

Keep reading for lists of movies scheduled for teens (p.5) and families (p.8) this summer.



NEW COMPUTER CLASSES



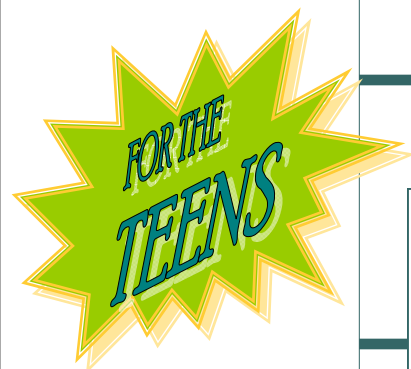
The Manchester City Library is now offering introductory computer classes on a variety of topics. The following classes, which run for one hour, will be held on Wednesdays in the Winchell Room:

Facebook for Everyone - June 2nd at 12:30 PM
 Genealogy Research on the Internet - June 9th at 11:00 AM
 Using the Library Catalog - June 23rd

at 11:00 AM
 Introduction to Librarything - June 30th at 11:00 AM.

Space is limited, so registration is required.

In the future, we will be expanding our offerings to include wordprocessing, spreadsheets, job searching, Google Apps, blogging with Wordpress, using Craigslist, and more. Keep an eye on the library calendar to see when these classes will be taking place.



TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM AT THE MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY

Area teens are invited to "Make Waves @ Your Library" this summer by participating in the Manchester City Library's teen summer reading program from June 21st to August 6th. Teens are invited to come to the library and read for prizes, as well as to take part in special events offered throughout the summer. These events will include bi-monthly Anime Club meetings, a water games party, Guitar Hero tournaments, crafts, and more.

Participation is easy: Each time you read a book, fill out a short form with the book information. These forms double as raffle tickets. Attend one of our teen programs and earn two raffle tickets just for showing up. To learn more, visit the library or contact Kate at 624-6550 ext. 342, knorton@manchesternh.gov, or AIM katehwt. We're only promising you a summer of fun!



ANIME CLUB

The Anime Club is open to teens in grades 6 to 12 and is an informal club where fans can gather to play cards, watch movies, discuss their favorite characters, and draw. The club meets on the following Thursdays:

June 3rd, July 1st, and August 5th from 4:00-5:00 PM in the Winchell Room
 June 17th, July 15th, and August 19th from 4:00-5:30 PM in the Hunt Room



TEEN COOKING CLUB

The Teen Cooking Club is a great way to learn the basics of cooking. Teens ages 11 to 18 are welcome to attend. The club meets on the following Wednesdays from 4:00-5:30 PM in the

Winchell Room:

- 6/16 - Chia lime water & watermelon basket
- 7/14 - Snow cones
- 8/11 - Swimming pool cake



GUITAR HERO

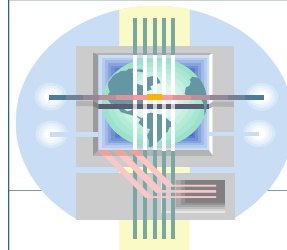
Our Guitar Hero tournament is for teens in grades 6 to 12. Come test your skills in tournament style play. Due to space limits, registration is preferred. The tournament will take place on Thursdays, June 24th, July 22nd, and August 26th, from 4:00-5:30 in the Winchell Room.

Sign up to receive
MCL NOTES

TEEN MOVIE SERIES

Teens in grades 6 to 12 are welcome to join us for a monthly movie. Popcorn will be provided! Movies are shown on the following Tuesdays at 4:00 PM:

- 6/29 - *High School Musical 2*
- 7/27 - *National Treasure Book of Secrets*
- 8/24 - *The Spiderwick Chronicles*



ONLINE!

Go to our Website at
www.manchester.lib.nh.us

TEEN WATER GAMES

Wednesday, July 21st from 4:00-5:30 PM in the Winchell Room

Join us for Spray-Bottle Capture the Flag, Fill the Bottle, Sponge Toss, and more. Be sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting wet.



TIE DYE T-SHIRTS

Thursday, July 29th from 4:00-5:30 PM in the Winchell Room

Come tie dye a t-shirt! All supplies will be provided. Be sure to wear clothes you don't mind getting messy.



FAMILY FARE 2010

Our Family Fare series in Victory Park has been sponsored by the community and the library trustees for the past 18 years. The six-week series offers entertainment that is sure to please all ages. In good weather, all programs will be held in Victory Park; in the event of rain, they will be held in the library auditorium.

JULY 8TH-JUDY PANCOAST AND THE GROOVY DUDES

Manchester's own Judy Pancoast will make her New Hampshire debut with her brand new band, the Groovy Dudes. They will rock the park with their signature brand of "Bubblegum Pop for Sweet Kids." Sponsored by the Library Trustees.

JULY 15TH-STEVE BLUNT

Steve Blunt is a songwriter and storyteller who is fun for all ages. There will be stories, songs to sing, and just plain silliness. Sponsored by the Library Trustees.

JULY 22ND-DAN GRADY AND HIS MARVELOUS MARIONETTES

Show is fast-paced, stringed puppet production. The broad range of acts includes tightrope and trapeze artistry as performed by Eadarg Bros., and the

country western strumming and crooning of the celebrated superstar Conway Kitty. Sponsored by the Library Trustees.

JULY 29TH-WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS

Tying into our Make a Splash! summer reading theme, this show will include water animals such as alligators, snakes, tree frogs, toads, turtles and others. Sponsored by Anagnost Investments, Inc.

AUGUST 5TH-VIC & STICKS

A musical storytelling show performed with a vaudeville/ragtime flair! Mixed with old fashioned vaudeville theatrics, this show will surely entertain. Sponsored by Triangle Credit Union.

AUGUST 12TH-DOUBLE VISION

The Scalises always knew they wanted more than anything else to be entertainers. Prepare to be amazed as Jody and Linda Scalise showcase their mime, acrobatics, and juggling talents. Sponsored by Citizens Bank.

A GENEROUS DONATION FROM TD BANK CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



On Tuesday, May 11th, the TD Bank Charitable Foundation joined the children's department for a special storytime during Children's Book Week. Steve Webb, TD Bank President in NH, read *A Chair for My Mother* by Vera Williams, and the children decorated chairs for their mothers and grandmothers afterward. Mr. Webb, who was accompanied by Retail Vice President Carol Ford and Community Relations Manager Julie McQuillan, presented Library Director Denise van Zanten with a check for \$4,000 to expand our homeschooling collection. We are grateful to the TD Bank Charitable Foundation for the donation, and look forward to providing new materials and resources for our homeschooling patrons.



SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2010

Are you looking for something free for your children to do this summer? Join us at the Manchester City Library for our annual summer reading program. This year's theme is "Make A Splash, READ!" and will run from June 21st and August 6th.

To participate in the program, children are encouraged to read, or have read to them, 10 books. Librarians and volunteers will be available daily to share stories, chart books, and award prizes. Some of this year's prizes are sponsored by Blake's, Mel's Funway, McDonald's, and Ben and Jerry's.

We will be offering many weekly programs for different ages during the weeks of the summer reading program:

- Mondays: Family matinée at 1:00 PM (movies are listed below)
- Tuesdays: Family storytime for all ages at 9:30 AM
- Wednesdays: Little Movers storytime for ages 2 to 5 at 10:30 AM
- Thursdays: Summer crafts for grades K-5 at 9:30 AM
- Fridays: Lap-sit storytime for 23 months and under at 9:30 AM

Many other fun activities, raffles and programs are planned. The program will be kicked off with an indoor family beach party on Monday, June 21st from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, and will end with a party on Thursday, August 13th at 2:00 PM, where the Majestic Theatre Trust will be performing *Go West*, a fun, adventure filled production. So jump in the library this summer and get your feet wet! For further information call the children's department at 624-6550, ext. 328.



MAKE A SPLASH! SUMMER READING KICK-OFF

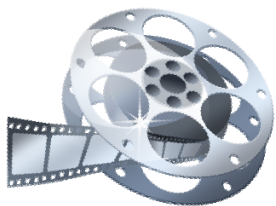
Join us as we kick off this year's summer reading program "Make a Splash, Read!" Families are invited to drop by the library from 4:00-6:00 PM on Monday, June 21st for activities, games, and of course to sign up for the reading program. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 328.





MAKE A SPLAT! MESSY OUTSIDE ART

On Friday afternoons at 2:00 PM, we will have a splashy, messy outside art program for ages 2 to 12. We'll work together each week to make a group masterpiece (or two). Because we're focusing on the artistic process, there will be no take-home artwork. Be sure to wear clothing that you don't mind getting wet or stained. Younger children may need a parent or caregiver's assistance.



FAMILY MATINEE

Throughout the summer, we will be showing G- or PG-rated movies on Mondays at 1:00 PM in the library auditorium.

- 6/28 - *Finding Nemo* (G)
- 7/5 - library closed
- 7/12 - *Monsters vs. Aliens* (PG)

- 7/19 - *Flushed Away* (PG)
- 7/26 - *The Princess and the Frog* (G)
- 8/2 - *Surf's Up* (PG)
- 8/9 - *Fantastic Mr. Fox* (PG)
- 8/16 - *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* (PG)
- 8/23 - *Planet 51* (PG)

WE ARE GOING TO THE BEACH!



Let's Make a Splash as we headed to the beach. Come dress in your best beach attire on Monday, July 12th at 10:00 AM. We will gather in the Winchell Room for beach stories and other fun. Afterwards, we will head outside where we will make sand pic-

tures and play other beach theme games. Refreshments will be served. Children ages 1 to 5 years old are invited. Registration is recommended. For more information, please call 624-6550 ext. 335.

BUBBLES BIG AND SMALL



Everyone loves bubbles! On Wednesday, July 14th at 2:00 PM, we will start out in the Winchell Room making bubble art prints, and then we'll proceed outside to the library lawn where we will try our luck with a variety of wands and tools to make bubbles big and small. In the case of inclement weather we will blow our bubbles indoors. Won't our patrons be surprised! Registration is required. For further information, call Beverly at 624-6550, ext. 328.

BLUE OCEAN SOCIETY



Join us on Wednesday, July 21st at 2:00 PM to experience live tide pool animals and plants at a traveling tide pool station. Selection of critters may vary, but can include crabs, sea stars, mussels, barnacles, periwinkles, sea anemones and more. For grades K-5. Space is limited. Registration is required. For more information, please contact Karyn at 624-6550 ext. 335.

DINOSAUR HUNT

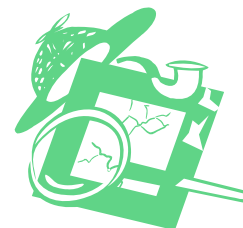
Join us as we go on a hunt for dinosaurs on the library lawn on Monday, August 23rd beginning at 10:00 AM. We will gather in the Winchell Room to listen to dinosaur stories and make a dinosaur craft. Afterwards, we will head outside with our magnifying glasses to look for dinosaurs and dinosaurs bones. Come dressed for outside activities. This program is for children 1 to 5 years old. Registration is required. For more information, please call Karyn at 624-6550 ext. 335.



LIFE SIZE CLUE

On Friday, August 20th at 2:00 PM in the Winchell Room, we will be playing Life Size Clue. Was it Professor Plum in Library with the lead pipe? Could it have been Mrs. White in the Dining Room

with the rope? Become the characters to solve the mystery. For grades K-8. Registration is recommended. For more information, please contact Karyn at 624-6550 ext. 335.



FAMILY GAME NIGHTS

On Tuesdays, June 22nd, July 20th and August 16th, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, families with kids of all ages can get together to play games and have fun. For more information, contact Amy at 624-6550 ext. 328.



WEST MANCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On May 14th, the West Manchester Community Library held its 30th Anniversary celebration. Mayor Gatsas attended, along with many library trustees and patrons. West's first Branch Manager, Cheryl Stockman, was also in attendance.

Over the past 30 years, the West Manchester Library has grown from the one-floor basement-level library it was at its inception in 1980. The former King Fire station, built in 1886, has been renovated over the years. When the new Senior Center was completed, the space on the main floor became available, and was converted to an additional floor for the library in 2006.

The West Manchester Community Library has grown from its collection of a few

thousand books in 1980. Today, the library has a variety of almost 35,000 books, DVDs, videos, audiobooks, and video games. Over the last 30 years, the library has computerized its catalog and circulation system, installed nine Internet terminals, created a young adult room, and conducted many programs that run the gamut from children's storytimes to showing recent DVD releases using our big screen/projector system. Circulation has grown to almost 60,000 annually, with nearly 1100 registered cardholders.

Thanks to all the people of Manchester who helped make the West Manchester Community Library a reality.

On The West Side





SUMMER READING PROGRAM

We're kicking off the 2010 Summer Reading Program—Make a Splash, Read!—with a performance on Tuesday, June 22nd at 1:00 PM by Magician Debbie O'Carroll. Children who read 10 books will earn prizes such as free books, McDonald's coupons, and

treasure box prizes. Make and Take crafts will be available daily. To conclude the program, the Majestic Theatre will present *Go West* on Thursday, August 23rd at 10:00 AM. *Go West* is a musical celebration of America's westward expansion.



STORYTIME

Family storytime takes place every Thursday at 10:00 AM. Special storytimes are planned for throughout the summer, including Ms. Amy's Little Movers storytime on July 8th.



FAMILY MOVIES

Take advantage of our air-conditioned movie room with big screen projection every Friday at 3:00 PM. Check the library calendar on our website for scheduled movies.



KIDS' BINGO NIGHT

Children are invited to attend our annual Kids' Bingo Night on Wednesday August 4 at 6:30. We'll have prizes and ice cream for everyone. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the West Manchester Community Library.



NEW MUSEUM PASSES

The Manchester City Library recently added a few new museum passes to our collection. These include Davis Farmland & Mega Maze in Sterling, MA; Imagine That! In Lawrence, MA; and the New England Quilt Museum in Lowell, MA. For a complete list of passes and their

availability, as well as rules and restrictions for their use, can be found on the library website. You can reserve passes online with your library card's barcode number, or by calling the children's department at 624-6550 ext. 314.