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**DIRECTOR'S COLUMN**

Mayor Frederick Smyth felt very strongly about the importance of public education. In 1854, he worked with a local group of citizens to convert the private Manchester Athenaeum into the city's public library. The City of Manchester has supported library services since then, and over the years built the first two buildings to serve the public as our young city grew. In 1910, once again the public library had outgrown the provided space on Franklin Street, and this time a benefactor came to the rescue. Frank P. Carpenter, a prominent businessman, believed that access to information was vital to Manchester's future. Upon the death of his wife, Eleanora Blood Carpenter, he approached the city with an offer—to build a new library building on Pine Street in memory of his wife. No expense was to be spared in the planning or building of the new library—the architects were from New York and Hawaii, the granite from the same quarry that produced stone to build the Library of Congress, and marble arrived from Vermont and Italy. The specifications for the building's construction did not spare any details and is very extensive. The Carpenter Memorial Building is beautiful and has stood the test of time.

It is an honor and a privilege to be able to come to work in this building every day. The architecture is inspiring. This building is a true gem and our city takes great pride in her. The ground breaking for the Carpenter Memorial Building took place in September of 1912, and the cornerstone was laid on June 11, 1913. As we march towards its "100th Birthday" celebration in 2014, we will be sharing interesting facts about its history. There will be historical photos of the construction displayed and specially-designed programs. We hope you'll join us for the upcoming activities to mark this historic event for our library!

**LECTURE SERIES PARTNERSHIP WITH  
THE MANCHESTER HISTORIC  
ASSOCIATION**

The library is partnering with the Manchester Historic Association to provide a series of lectures and tours related to the history of the Carpenter Memorial Library to commemo-

rate its 100th anniversary. The first program is scheduled for April 18, 2013 as part of our National Library Week celebrations. More information will be in our spring newsletter.



*Manchester City  
Library  
while in  
construction 100  
years ago!*



### CLOSINGS

Dec. 24 - closing at 2:30 PM  
Dec. 25 - closed  
Dec. 31 - closing at 3:30 PM

Jan. 1 - closed  
Jan. 21 - closed  
Feb. 18 - closed

### MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY FOUNDATION'S FALL AUCTION EXTRAVAGANZA

On Wednesday, October 3rd guests gathered at the Carpenter Memorial Library for the Manchester City Library Foundation's first ever Fall Auction Extravaganza. The fall-themed event, which took place during the library's 100th anniversary ground-breaking, was a success raising nearly \$5,500 to benefit the city library!

A live auction was held during the night, which featured popular items such as sports memorabilia, tickets to the New Year's Eve Patriots' game at Fox-boro Stadium, fine jewelry, baskets of bottled wine, restaurant gift certificates, a dinner party for eight, and more!

The event was attended by long-time generous library supporters, Mayor Ted Gatsas, and Patricia Meyers, Frank P. Carpenter's great granddaughter, among others.

The Foundation would like to extend their thanks to all of our various donors and sponsors including Howe, Riley & Howe, PLLC; Member's First Credit Union; Kazan, Shaughnessy, Kasten & McDonald, PLLC; James R. St. Jean Auctioneers; and Jacques Flower Shop.



## NEW LIBRARY SEARCH ENGINE USES GOOGLE PREVIEW

On October 25th, the Manchester City Library debuted a new version of the library collection search engine (AKA the catalog). The new catalog will make it easier than ever to find the materials you want fast. Among the updated features is a portal homepage that displays new titles in an Amazon like fashion that makes it easy to discover new materials. In addition to having an modernized look and feel, the new catalog will include Google Preview, which will allow you to view portions of a book while you are still using the catalog. For more information about the catalog, contact the reference desk at 624-6550 ext. 320 or [library@manchesternh.gov](mailto:library@manchesternh.gov).



## HOLIDAY DECORATING WITH JACQUES FLOWER SHOP

**Tues., Dec. 4 at 6:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Join Nancy Godbout and her daughter Aimee Lindh as they decorate for the holidays and show you how to make wreaths, roping, and many other crafts. Registration is required and seating is limited to 50 people. Children 12 and up are welcome with a parent. For more information, please contact Mary Galant at 624-6550 ext. 311.



## HONORING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

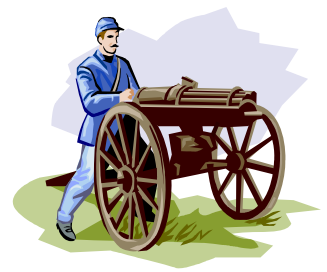
**Thurs., Dec. 6 at 6:30 PM**  
**Auditorium**

Mike Pride, author of *Our War: Days and Events in the Fight for the Union*, will tell the story of the Civil War from the perspective and experience of New Hampshire people, both civilians and soldiers, and will feature many notable Manchester people.

Pride is an amateur historian, freelance writer, and editor emeritus of the *Concord Monitor*. While he was editor, the *Monitor* won many awards including the first Pulitzer Prize

earned by a New Hampshire newspaper. A former Nieman Fellow at Harvard University and twice a Hoover Media Fellow at Stanford University, Pride received the National Press Foundation's Editor of the Year award for directing the *Monitor's* coverage of the Challenger disaster. He co-authored *My Brave Boys*, a Civil War history of the Fifth New Hampshire Regiment with Mark Travis, and updated Elwin L. Page's *Abraham Lincoln in New Hampshire*.

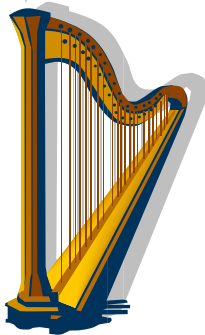
For more information, contact Cynthia O'Neil at 624-6550.







## Programs & Events



### HOLIDAY MUSIC WITH LISA WASHINGTON CALVO

**Fri., Dec. 13 at 1:30 PM**  
**Rotunda**

The Manchester City Library is pleased to present holiday music with harpist Lisa Washington Calvo in the Library Rotunda. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Mary Gallant at 624-6550 ext. 311.

### "THE LEDGE" WITH ED BROUDER

**Thurs., Jan. 10 at 6:30 PM**  
**Auditorium**

Former radio personality, educator, and historian Ed Brouder will present this illustrated program. In the late 1800s, a quarry was opened by the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company near what is currently known as Derryfield Park. Granite was brought from the "Ledge" to be used as foundations for the mill buildings which are still evident in the Millyard today. In the 1920s, the quarry had filled with water and the "Brownies," a group of year-round swimmers, used the quarry for their exhibition diving, attracting local spectators and international news coverage. Several swimmers drowned there prior to its closing by the City of Manchester in 1983. There were many stories, both fact and fiction, about the area. Historically significant, haunting, and mysterious, the Ledge has many long kept secrets which will be revealed by Brouder and his extensive research.

In case of snow, the program will be held on Thursday, January 24th at 6:30 PM. For more information, contact Cynthia O'Neil at 624-6550.

### \$5 BAG BOOK SALE

**Sat., Jan. 26 - 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

There will be about eight thousand books, large print books, VHS tapes, musical items, and other odds and ends to choose from at the next book sale. We have books for all ages and interests, both fiction and nonfiction. Materials include donated items and items weeded from the library collection.

Participants should bring their own bags to the sale (cloth or paper) to fill.

As you exit the Winchell Room with your new found treasures, you will pay just \$5 for each average size grocery bag. If the bag is larger than the average size, you may pay little extra, depending on how much bigger the bag is. No trash bags, leaf bags or very large bags are allowed.

If you have questions, please contact Eileen A. Reddy at [ereddy@manchesternh.gov](mailto:ereddy@manchesternh.gov) or by phone at 624-6550 ext. 320.

## IT DON'T MEAN A THING: THE LIFE AND MUSIC OF ELLA FITZGERALD

Tues., Feb. 12 at 7:00 PM

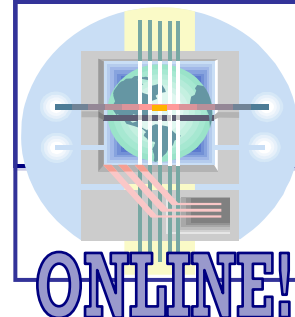
Auditorium

Nanette Perrotte tells Ella's extraordinary story of traveling from being homeless in Harlem to the Queen of Swing. This is the story of a young woman who against impossible odds achieved fame as a Jazz singer by the age of seventeen. At that young age she found herself at the heart of The Harlem Renaissance and American Jazz. She would go on to perform around the world for another 58 years.

Perrotte's Masters Degree in Education from Lesley University in Cambridge Massachusetts focused her work on Arts as a tool to learn about, and experience, cultural diversity. With her college teaching career, private voice students, college choir, and music appreciation courses, Perrotte has now evolved a new lecture/presentation form. This multimedia presentation allows Perrotte to combine her singing, storytelling, and teaching talents to showcase Ella Fitzgerald's masterful work and complex life story. For more information contact Mary Gallant at 624-6550 ext. 311.



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## WINTER MOVIE SCHEDULE

### Wednesday Afternoons at 1PM

Dec. 5 - *Planet of the Apes*  
(1968, G, 112 min.)

Dec. 12 - *The Hunger Games*  
(PG-13, 142 min.)

Dec. 19 - *A Muppet Christmas Carol*  
(G, 85 min.)

Dec. 26 - *A Dolphin Tale*  
(PG, 119 min.)

Jan. 2 - *Mrs. Doubtfire*  
(PG-13, 125 min.)

Jan. 9 - *Snow White and the Huntsman*  
(PG-13, 127 min.)

Jan. 16 - *Dark Shadows*  
(PG-13, 113 min.)

Jan. 23 - *Hair Spray*  
(PG, 116 min.)

Jan. 30 - *The Avengers*  
(PG-13, 143 min.)

Feb. 6 - *Short Circuit*  
(PG, 99 min.)

Feb. 13 - *Battleship*  
(PG-13, 131 min.)

Feb. 20 - *Dream Girls*  
(PG-13, 131 min.)

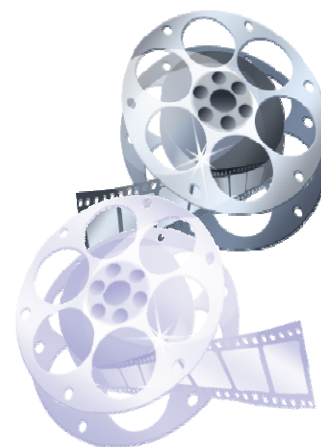
Feb. 27 - *Dr. Seuss the Lorax*  
(PG, 86 min.)

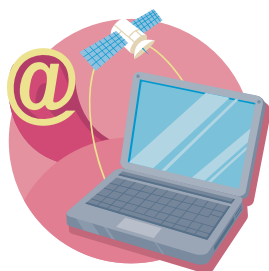
### Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 PM:

Dec. 11 - *The Hunger Games* (PG-13, 142 min.)

Jan. 8 - *Snow White and the Huntsman* (PG-13, 127 min.)

Feb. 12 - *Battleship* (PG-13, 131 min.)





## COMPUTER CLASSES

Need to brush up on your computer skills? Want to make better use of the library's resources? Never touched a computer in your life? We have a class for you!



## OVERVIEW OF THE INTERNET

**Tue., Dec. 4 and Wed., Feb. 20**  
**2:30 PM, Winchell Room**

This demonstration will show you how to navigate the Internet, explain general terminology, create a web-based email account, and use the library's online catalog. If time permits, there will be a general question and answer session at the end. For more information contact Eileen Reddy at 624-6550 ext. 320 or [ereddy@manchesternh.gov](mailto:ereddy@manchesternh.gov).

## COMPUTER COMFORT: COMPUTER BASICS

**Wed., Jan. 9 at 2:30 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Learn about the basics of computer hardware, Windows, and the Internet.

You'll even gain practice using a mouse! Registration is required. For more information, contact Yvonne at 624-6550 ext. 606.

## INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT WORD 2010

**Tue., Feb. 12 at 2:30 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Learn the basics of Microsoft Word, the essential skill you need in today's job market. We will create and save a file, learn basic functions such as copy/paste, tabbing and setting margins and have fun with enhancements (bold, italic, font size, and font color). Come join us for this relaxed, hands-on class. Due to the popularity of this class, size is now increased to 12 people. Sign up early by calling the library at 624-6550 and asking for Amy H.

## TECH IT OUT

**Wed., Jan. 23, 2012 at 2:30 PM**

Did you receive an eReader as a gift during the holidays? Need as-

sistance with your device? Stop by for one-on-one help from Yvonne.

## TEEN COOKING CLUB

**Thursdays at 4:00 PM**  
**Jan. 31 and Feb. 28**  
**Winchell Room**

The teen cooking club is a great way to learn the basics of cooking. Teens in grades 6-12 are welcome to attend.

**FOR THE  
TEENS**

## SUPER SMASH BROS: BRAWL

**Thurs., Feb. 7 at 4:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Play Wii at the Library and participate in a Super Smash Bros. Brawl tournament.

## PLAY DATE NH

**Thurs., Feb. 14 at 4:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Ages 12 -18 are invited to learn and play and enjoy new card, strategy

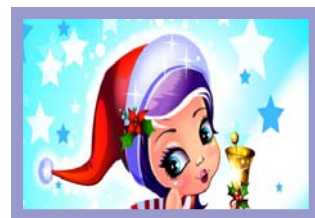
and board games. Semi-professional gaming geeks will be on hand to mentor new players in an array of classic and modern games.



## ANIME CLUB

**Thurs., Feb. 21 at 4:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

The anime club is open to teens in grades 6-12 and is an informal club where fans can gather to play cards, watch movies, discuss their favorite characters, and draw!



## WINTERFEST-TEEN CRAFT

**Thurs., Feb. 26 at 4:00 PM**  
**Winchell Room**

Get in touch with your creative side! Come make a tin can luminaria.

## WINTER STORYTIME SESSIONS

Our winter storytimes begin the week of January 14th, running through the week of March 4th. All sessions are held in the Winchell Room.

- Tuesdays at 9:30 AM – Preschool Storytime (ages 4-5)
- Wednesdays at 9:30 AM – Toddler Storytime (ages 2-3)
- Thursdays at 10:30 AM – Little Movers Storytime (ages 2-5)
- Fridays at 9:30 AM – Lap-sit Storytime (0-23 months)

**In The  
CHILDREN'S  
ROOM**





## TRAVEL CLUB

### Tuesdays at 4:00 PM

Take a trip to the library and travel the world with us. Each month we will explore a different country through pictures, art, food, and games. Maybe we will share a story or even sing a song. Whatever we do, we'll know more about the country we visit and have fun doing it. Don't forget to get your passport stamped. Registration is required.

- Dec. 18 - United Kingdom
- Jan. 22 - Jamaica
- Feb. 26 - Argentina

## CHILDREN'S ART CLUB

### Tuesdays at 4:00 PM Jan. 15 & Feb. 19

Do you like to draw, paint and be creative? Join us, once a month for crafts

that will let you explore your creative side. Children in grades K-3 are invited to join. Registration is recommended.

## STORYTIME AT THE MALL OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

### First Thursday of the month at 11:00 AM

The library has partnered with Regina Pizzeria for a monthly storytime at the mall, with one or two stories and a simple craft based on a theme. Recommended for all ages, no registration required.

## POLAR EXPRESS PARTY

### Mon., Dec. 10 at 10:00 AM

All aboard for this magical visit to the North Pole! Experience the joy of

the train ride with games, music, snacks, and a craft for those who truly believe. For ages 2 to 5 are invited. Registration is required.

## HOLIDAYS AROUND THE WORLD

### Tues., Dec. 11 - 3:30 to 5:30 PM

Have you ever wondered how other countries celebrate the holidays? Drop in as we explore holiday traditions and customs from several different countries through crafts and foods. Children in grades 1 to 6 are invited. Refreshments will be served.



## NEW YEAR'S PARTY

**Mon., Dec. 31 at 11:30 AM**

Let's celebrate the arrival of 2013 with a New Year's Party! We will ring in the new year at the stroke of noon with noisemakers, balloons, and confetti. Children ages 1 to 7 are invited to this celebration. Registration is required.

## JAN BRETT JUBLIEE

**Mon., Jan. 28 at 10:00 AM**

So many good books, so little time....we'll delight in some of our winter favorites here. Witness the

work of a master storyteller and illustrator with books, crafts, and food. For ages 2 to 5. Registration is required.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR PARTY

**Tues., Feb. 5 at 4:00 PM**

Welcome to the Year of the Snake. The snake is the sixth sign of the Chinese Zodiac, which consists of 12 animal signs. What year were you born in? Help us celebrate with proverbs, stories, horoscopes, food, and crafts. Registration is required. For ages 5 to 12.

## VALENTINE'S FUN

**Mon., Feb. 11 at 10:00 AM**

It's Valentine's Day, let's have a party! We will listen to stories, play games, and make a cute Valentine's craft.

Don't forget to wear red! Refreshments will be served. Children ages 2 to 5 years old are invited to join in the fun.

## CELEBRATE WINTER BREAK AT THE LIBRARY!

**February 25 – March 1**

Calling all young artists! Join us at **Little Artists Storytime** on **Monday, February 25 at 11:00 AM**. We will listen to creative stories and make a cool project for you to take home. For ages 3 to 7. Registration is required.

On **Monday, February 25 at 2:30 PM**, the Manchester City Library and the Currier Museum of Art will be hosting a **Family Movie Afternoon** in the auditorium to celebrate the Currier's new exhibit—*Lethal Beauty: Samurai Weapons and Armor*. All ages are welcome.

**Critters & Creatures** are coming to visit on **Tuesday, February 26 beginning at 2:00 PM**. All ages are welcome. Registration is not required, but space is limited.

On **Friday, March 1, at 2:30 PM** we will have a **Star Wars Trivia Afternoon**. Come test your knowledge of all things Star Wars! For grades 3 to 8. Registration is recommended.





## WEST MANCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

### STORYTIME

Storytime takes place every **Thursday at 10:00 AM**. Children of all ages are welcome; no registration is required.

### MOVIES

Every Friday at 3:00 PM we show a movie on our big screen. Watch a recent movie that has just come out on DVD! See the library calendar for what's showing. Scheduled for December are:

Dec 7 - *Men in Black 3* (PG-13)  
Dec. 14 - *Paranorman* (PG)  
Dec. 21 - *Ice Age: Continental Drift 4* (PG)  
Dec. 28 - *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days* (PG)

### ANIME CLUB

**Wednesdays at 4:00 PM**

**Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13**

Teens can join other anime fans to watch a film and discuss all things anime. Open to teens Grades 6 to 12.

### LEGOS

**Thursdays at 4:00 PM**

**Dec. 27, Jan. 24, Feb. 28**

Children of all ages can make vehicles, buildings, or whatever else they can imagine with LEGOs supplied by the library.

### HOLIDAY DECORATING WITH THE WEST ELVES

**Wed., Dec. 5 at 6:30 PM**

Get in the holiday spirit and make an ornament! Let the creative juices flow with our craft supplies, fueled by our festive refreshments. Adults only. Registration required.

### CHRISTMAS CRAFTS FOR KIDS

**Wed., Dec. 12 at 4:00 PM**

Join the merriment and make a gift for a loved one or a festive decoration for the holiday season. See what you can build with pine cones! Space is limited. Registration required. Ages 5 to 12.

## ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Thurs., Jan. 10 at 4:00 PM**

Diane Frost will return with one of her certified therapy dogs who love to be read to. Sign up for a ten minute slot and read your favorite book...it's guaranteed to be rewarding. All ages welcome. Call 624-6560.



## PLAY DOH PARTY

**Wed., Jan. 16 at 4:00 PM**

It may be snowing outdoors, so come squash, mash, and roll this fun colored compound indoors. We'll make animals, flowers, and other fun objects. We have tools, you bring your imagination! Space is limited. Registration required. Ages 5 and up.



## SKY WATCH WITH THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

**Wed., Jan. 23 at 6:00 PM**

Gardner Gerry will return for a joint venture between Manchester City Library and the West Manchester Community Library. He will begin with an

indoor presentation before venturing outdoors to the West High School football field to observe the new moon a few days past first quarter. All ages welcome.



## KARAOKE

**Thurs., Jan 31 at 4:00 PM**

We're trying out the karaoke machine that was donated to the library. Who's the best singer? Come show us what you've got! Prizes.



## VALENTINE'S DAY

**February 6, 7, 8 - all day**

Make and take crafts for that special someone.

## BUBBLEOLOGY

**March 1 at 10:00**

Just imagine what can be done with gallons of soapy water! Keith Michael Johnson will present us with some

unforgettable events that sometimes require tarps. Fun for all ages! Cap off your vacation week with enthusiasm, humor, and style!

