Library News for November-December, 2016

Successful Book Sale

Once again, I would like to thank the Hampton Falls community for assisting with our annual book sale. The community support was truly uplifting. The Library is indeed fortunate to have so many people who donated books, sorted books, advertised the book sale, set up the book sale, baked for the bake sale, bought books, bought baked goods, sold baked goods, bought crafts, sold crafts, donated apples and counted money.

Programs

The Library is pleased to announce a special program in November in honor of our veterans. Seventy five years ago, this country entered World War II and people of all ages love the music from the era 1941-1945. On Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30 richard Kruppa, known professionally as “Ramblin’ Richard,” will perform Songs and Stories from the War Years. Richard not only sings the song, he accompanies himself on guitar and banjo and tells interesting and entertaining stories about the songs’ origins.

Yoga for Adults

For those of you who would like to try yoga, but hesitate to do so, the Library has a solution. Yoga instructor and Hampton Falls resident Tuesday Orluk will offer two introductory yoga classes for adults from high school and up on November 30 and December 28 at 6:30 p.m. The Library provides yoga mats. Wear comfortable clothes and please sign up in advance as the program is limited to eight participants. Come and learn about the potential health benefits of yoga in a stress-free, judgement-free and cost-free setting.

Closings

The Library will be closed on Friday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day. The Library will also close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23 and close all day Thursday, November 24 for Thanksgiving Day.

Ho-Ho-Ho!

A holiday tradition for many years, we are looking forward to our annual Santa party at the Library on Saturday morning, December 3 from 10:00-12:00. There will be an opportunity to visit with Santa and tell him what you’re hoping to find under the tree, have your picture taken with him, and enjoy all kinds of festive snacks while visiting with neighbors and friends. It’s a guaranteed good time! If you would like to provide a little deliciousness for the treat table, please call us at 926-3682 or sign up at the Library.

What we are Reading

On Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m., our Adult Book Discussion group will discuss We are All Completely Beside Ourselves by Karen Joy Fowler. Meet the Cooke family, a typical family in all ways
except one: Mother and Father, brother Lowell and sisters Fern and Rosemary. Named as one of the New York Times Book Review’s 100 Notable Books of 2013 and named by the Christian Science Monitor as one of the top 15 works of fiction, this book stretches the boundaries of how we define family and how well-intentioned actions can lead to heartbreaking consequences.

As we move into winter, the Adult Book Discussion group has elected to re-read a children’s classic. On Tuesday, December 27 at 7:00 p.m., the group will be discussing Lucy Maude Montgomery’s timeless classic Anne of Green Gables. The orphaned, but irrepressible Anne arrives in Green Gables at the home of Marilla and Matthew who had requested a boy to help with chores. Yet, Anne stays and changes the lives of everyone she meets. Join us for this heart-warming classic.

I would like to close with this very appropriate quote.

“Death—of-the-library scenarios define libraries as information repositories. If they were no more than that, then their eventual displacement by more convenient electronic repositories would make perfect sense. But the library is a gathering place, too, like an old town square or the corner grocery store. People may go to the library looking mainly for information, but they find each other there.” Robert Putnam

Happy fall!

Best wishes,
Barbara Tosiano,
Library Director

LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES

WHAT’S HAPPENING?

I would like to thank the Hampton Falls Cub Scouts and their families for the outstanding bake sale they held to raise money for our Summer Reading Program. Great job! Your hard work and dedication to the Library is very much appreciated! I also want to thank our many patrons who donated delicious baked goods for the sale. The proceeds from the sale will be used to sponsor one of our Summer Reading Wednesday evening programs.

In case of inclement weather, please call the Library to check if we will be holding programs that day. If schools are closed, the Library may or may not be open but programs will be cancelled.

STORY TIMES AND BOOK GROUPS
The Baby-Toddler Story Time is designed for newborns through the 2’s. There is a lot of activity! It is held Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11ish AM. This session will run through December 6th. It is currently full but you can sign up for the wait list.

The current sessions of Pre-School Story Times will run through December 7th and 8th respectively. They are scheduled for 1:30 – 2 PM on Wednesdays and 10:30 – 11 AM on Thursdays. There is still space in the Wednesday session so please call or stop in the Library to sign up. There will be no Story Time on November 23rd and 24th.

Kindergarten Club! This program is held on Wednesdays from 3 – 3:45 PM and is currently full. It will run through December 7th. There will be no Kindergarten Club on November 23rd.

The After School Story Time is also full. There will be no Story Time for this group on November 24th. This Story Time will also run through December 6th.

Sign up for the next Story Time session will begin at 10 AM on Thursday, January 12th with sessions beginning the following week. Please phone or drop in to sign up.

The 3rd- 4th Grade Book Discussion Group “usually” meets the third Thursday of the month. Upcoming dates are November 17th and December 15th from 4 – 4:30 PM New members are welcome! Copies of the book are available at the Library. Please note, this is not a program that children should take the bus to the Library.

The Novel Ideas 5th – 8th Grade Book Discussion Group “usually” meets on the third Wednesday of the month. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 16th from 6:30 – 7:15 PM and Wednesday December 14th (one week earlier than usual) from 6:30 – 7:15 PM. New members are always welcome.
SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Yoga! Yoga for ages 2 – Kindergarten with a parent/caregiver is scheduled for Fridays from 10:30 – 11 AM on November 18th, December 2nd and December 16th. Please sign up in advance as space is limited.

On Friday, November 25th from 10:30 – 11:15 AM there will be a special yoga program for Grades K – 4 celebrating KINDNESS! The program will include a yoga class and a special craft. Please sign up in advance a space is limited.

On Thursday, December 1st there will be a regularly scheduled yoga program for Grades K – 4 from 4 – 4:30 PM. Please sign up in advance for this program as well.

Santa Claus contacted us from the North Pole to let us know he will be coming to the Library on Saturday, December 3rd from 10 AM – Noon. Our Santa Party is always a wonderful event!

Lego Club! Thursday December 8th from 4 – 4:45 PM for children in Kindergarten through 4th grade. The Legos will be provided (but stay in the Library so we’ll have them for the next program!). Come ready to use your imagination! Please sign up for each program individually in advance. Please note, this is not a program that children should take the bus to the Library.

Polar Express Pajama Story Time We will be having a special Story Time on Wednesday, December 7th at 6:30 PM. Children are welcome to come in their PJ’s and bring a favorite snuggly stuffed animal to listen to The Polar Express. This has been great fun! Please sign up in advance.

Puppet Show! Carol and Crew will hold a puppet show at the Library on Wednesday, December 14th from 3:30 – 4:15 PM. No sign up is required.

See you at the Library!

Carol Sanborn
Head of Youth Services