Summer at the library

It’s going to be a great summer at the Northeast Harbor Library. Beginning Wednesday, June 26, we will host a lecture or author event every Wednesday evening (and a few other days of the week too!) through early September. Special events for children are scheduled for Monday mornings. See page 3 for a full listing of events.

Monthly Giving: A great new way to support the library!

Meet the Mitchell Family: Aaron, Rigby, Olive, Neva and Erika. The Mitchells have signed up to donate monthly to the library as part of our monthly giving program and you can too!

Erika says, “We are so thrilled to sign up for monthly giving to the Northeast Harbor Library. It’s an easy way for us to feel like we are contributing on a regular basis and it’s nice to know that the library can count on our donation every month. The library is such an important part of our lives, it’s the least we could do.”

It’s easy to sign up! Contact Jean Rappaport at 276-3333 or jrappaport@nehlibrary.org for more information.

Everyone who signs up for Monthly Giving will receive a Northeast Harbor Library book bag and the knowledge that you are helping the library create a year-round revenue source. Thank you!
**Summer Book Sales**

All year long, the library collects donated books to sell at our summer book sales. This year, the book sale will be open on **Monday mornings from 9am-12pm** and on **Wednesday afternoons from 4pm-6pm** beginning Wednesday, July 10.

We have a wonderful, diverse collection of books for people of all ages and interests and they are priced to sell. Stop by and discover the treasures that await in the Northeast Harbor Library’s summer book sales. See you there!

The library has a new website
Visit [www.nehlibrary.org](http://www.nehlibrary.org) and get all the latest library news including information about events and exhibits. You can renew your library items, place items on hold and make purchase suggestions to the library staff. It’s a great way to stay in touch with the library during the off season. Let us know what you think about our new site.

**Maine Community Heritage Project: A community history website**
[http://mdi.mainememory.net](http://mdi.mainememory.net)

Since July 2012, members of the Mount Desert Island community representing libraries, historical societies, museums, educational institutions and interested citizens have worked together to build a community history website through the Maine Memory Network. The Maine Community Heritage Project brings important historical items relevant to MDI into the 21st century by digitizing and cataloging them in Maine Memory Network’s online database. Take a look at the site and learn more about the history of basketball on MDI, the Indians and Rusticators, Northeast Harbor’s Main Street, The Savage Family, Performing Arts on MDI and the Champlain Society. Plans are underway to build onto the site next year, working with local elementary school students. For more information, contact Brook Minner at the library or Tim Garrity at the Mount Desert Historical Society.
Summer events at the library

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**June 26 at 6pm:** Author event: Barbara Walsh, author of *August Gale*

**July 1-31:** Exhibit: Stanley Hallet “Sketches of Mount Desert Island”

**July 2 at 5pm:** Opening reception for July exhibit

**July 8 at 10:30am:** Wildlife program for children

**July 10 at 6pm:** Author event: Jim Sterba, author of *Nature Wars*

**July 15 at 10:30am:** Storytelling event for children with Antonio Rocha

**July 17 at 6pm:** Garden lecture with the Mount Desert Land and Garden Preserve, Patrick Chasse

**July 22 at 6pm:** Artist lecture with sculptors participating in Art in Public Spaces

**July 24 at 6pm:** Author event: Roxana Robinson, author of *Sparta*

**July 25 at 10:30am:** Magic workshop for children with Norman Ng

**July 25 at 6pm:** Magic show for families at the Neighborhood House

**July 29 at 10:30am:** Northern Stars Planetarium for children

**July 31 at 6pm:** Poetry reading with local poets Christian Barter, Elizabeth Garber, Leonore Hildebrandt, Paul Weiss

**August 1-30:** Exhibit: Photographs by Joan R. Van der Grift

**August 5 at 10:30am:** Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers present “Everybody loves pirates”

**August 7 at 6pm:** Author event with the Northeast Harbor Fleet, Rich Wilson, author of *Race France to France-Leave Antarctica to Starboard*

**August 13 at 5pm:** Author event: Andy Sharpless, author of *The Perfect Protein*

**August 14 at 6pm:** Jungian lecture by William Bigelow

**August 21 at 6pm:** Author event: Carl Little, author of *Nature and Culture: the Art of Joel Babb*

**August 28 at 6pm:** Author event Susan Conley, author of *And Then There Was Paris*

Please join us!

The library also hosts Lego club for children on Tuesdays from 4-4:45pm, preschool story time on Wednesdays at 10:00am, and “Reading with Cirra” Thursdays from 9am-12pm (sign up required)

**Digital Newsletters**

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From the President of the Board…
June 2013

Summer’s a great time of the year to drive down a back road you’ve never taken before, just to see where it leads you. You could wind up on a cliff overlooking the ocean, or, maybe, a creepy dead end in damp woods full of rusty tin cans and mosquitoes. Either way – all life’s an adventure.

Reading’s like that. Probably you have, as I do, piles of books by your bed that you still mean to get to. Worthy books. Books recommended by friends whose good taste you admire. And isn’t that Moby Dick over there, staring at you from the shelf? But sometimes it’s fun to ignore all the things that you mean to read, and just pick up some random book by an author you have never read.

A library should offer such opportunities for exploration and discovery. At the Northeast Harbor Library, we’ve got some wonderful new books – and movies and speakers, exhibits and programs – that you may never have heard of. Why don’t you stop by the library this summer, and see what you find? It could be the start of a wonderful adventure.

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