

FRIENDS of LANE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

WINTER 2010 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Hi Friends and Happy New Year! I hope you've all had a safe and happy holiday season. I'm looking forward to another busy year as President of the Friends of Lane Library.

We had a general book sale in November along with our Centre School Children's book sale. Both were a great success. As a result, we are now planning two general book sales for the coming year! We have the Eric Carle quilt raffle going on right now. Please stop by the display case near the Children's Room to see this beautiful quilt handmade by Dona Janetos. All proceeds from this raffle will benefit the Children's Room and the fabulous work that they do to make reading fun for the children of Hampton. Our annual Valentine's Tea is scheduled for Saturday, February 13. This is an opportunity for children to dress up and have tea in fancy cups, story hour with Miss Paulina, and make a Valentine's craft to bring home. Space is limited, so don't forget to sign up!

Stay warm this winter, and enjoy a good book by the fire.

Best Regards,
Susan Hughes

President, Friends of the Lane Memorial Library

A new idea: MOVIE BUDDIES!

Since we now have this wonderful new Weston Theater in the Lane Room, the library staff has been kicking around ideas to help make more use of the space for patrons and the public to enjoy. Right now a staff member begins the film and sits through the performance to ensure that there are no technical glitches or to be on hand if anyone in the audience requires assistance (or some good-natured shushing ...). We were thinking of opening that job up to members of the Friends, perhaps with an email broadcast at the beginning of each month about the films coming up and a request for anyone who might want to be 'movie monitor' for the evening or afternoon. Any movie buffs out there who want to catch some great new DVD releases and help us out at the same time? Let me know!

-- Darrell Eifert, Head of Adult Services, (603) 926-3368 deifert@hampton.lib.nh.us

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

It was in January in 1993 that Catherine Redden became Director of Lane and so it was that on January 9th we honored her 15 years of service and leadership, dedication and passion by rededicating a room - The Dearborn Redden Room - in her honor.

The room is in the original library structure for the town of Hampton which will be celebrating its 100th birthday this year. In 100 years the room has known many purposes. In recent times it has housed book sale items and it was Catherine's idea to present the Large Print collection in this room - all contained in one area of the library and brightly lit.

The library rededicated this room to capture Catherine's impact and work in Hampton and bind them with the future history of the library.

-- Amanda L. Reynolds Cooper
Director, Lane Memorial Library



Amanda Reynolds Cooper chats with Public Works Director John Price during the dedication.

Book Sale News

Note of Thanks

November 4th marked one of the more popular events in the Friends calendar year: the First Grade Book Sale. The entire first grade from Centre School visited the Lane Library where Joanne Mulready gave them a tour and Paulina Shadowens treated them to story time. The children were then able to purchase a book from the Friends book sale. It's a toss up as to who enjoys this event more: the kids or the Friends members who volunteer!

Immediately following the First Grade Book Sale, we held a mid-year book sale open to the public. Due to an abundance of donations, we thought we would try an "overstock" sale for the first time. The sale was considered a success, having raised \$668.00!!! The response from the patrons was very positive, with many patrons stocking up large piles of books for winter reading. So, we will put a mid year book sale on the calendar for 2010!

Needless to say, the volunteers who donated many hours towards these sales are due a huge THANK YOU!!! It is a true team effort to put on a book sale and I am very grateful to all those who helped out.

Kris Sawyer
Book Sale Chair

Down in the basement of the library, at any given time, there are donated books just waiting for someone to sort through them so they can become eligible for the Friends Book Sales! It is an easy task that is very flexible schedule-wise. If are looking for a way to donate a few hours to the Friends and the library, give me a call. "Training" takes only 15 - 20 minutes and I am happy to meet with anyone who is interested.

Kris Sawyer, Book Sales Chair
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ERIC CARLE QUILT RAFFLE



Handmade by
Dona Janetos
to benefit the
Lane Library
Children's Room

Tickets:
\$2.00 each
3 tickets for \$5.00
6 tickets for \$10.00

Drawing will be held on
Saturday, February 13th

2nd Prize
\$20 Barnes & Noble
Gift Certificate
& Eric Carle book

3rd Prize
\$10 Barnes & Noble
Gift Certificate
& Eric Carle book





Now showing in the Weston Theater – the Oscar-winning film *Departures*. According to Amazon.com reviewer Bret Fetzer, “*Departures* is surely the gentlest, sweetest movie about death that you will ever see.” I had the opportunity to see this film almost six months ago at the Cabot Street Cinema in Beverly, MA, and started immediately making plans to bring the film to Hampton in our Weston Theater. What makes it so special that I recommend it even to those who normally won’t sit through a movie with subtitles? Fetzer lists some pretty good reasons:



“A cellist named Diago (Masahiro Motoki) comes to the rueful conclusion that he’s not talented enough to make a career as a musician; having just returned to his hometown with his wife Mika (Ryoko Hirotsue, Wasabi), he answers a job ad for what he thinks must be a travel agency... only to discover that company prepares bodies to be placed in coffins. Fearful of his wife’s response, he hides his new job--but as he grows to appreciate his boss (Tsutomu Yamazaki, Tampopo) and the affect that the humbling ceremony of cleaning and dressing the deceased has on their families, Diago discovers that he might have a calling.

Departures won the 2009 Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film, and it’s easy to understand why. Though it starts out quietly and even seems slight, it gradually builds in emotional power, layer by layer, until scene after scene at the end is richly moving. Particularly affecting is the performance of Kimiko Yo, the secretary of the company, who harbors a troubling secret. A few moments of overt symbolism push the movie from compassion to sentimentality--but every time *Departures* seems to have lost its footing, a scene follows that strikes all the right notes so deftly it resonates like a bell. A truly marvelous movie.”

Since this film lies outside our usual movie licensing agreement, I would like to thank the Friends for stepping in and assisting with the performance fees. With showings on **Thursday, January 28th at 6:30 PM (sponsored by the Friends)**, and a **matinee on Saturday, January 30th at 2:30 PM**, I hope everyone can find time to attend and experience the film in its intended theater setting. (Note that the film is rated PG-13 for scenes of emotional intensity.) If not, the DVD will be available afterwards for circulation from our new movies collection. Don’t miss it! -- Darrell Eifert, Head of Adult Services



Friends to host Sixth Annual Valentine's Tea

The ever popular Friends Valentine Tea is scheduled to be held Saturday, February 13, at the Lane Library.

For those of you who may not be familiar with this event, the Friends put on an annual “tea” for children ages 3 – 8 years old accompanied by a parent. Activities include a Valentine’s craft, story time, and goody bags not to mention an actual tea complete with choice of beverages, baked goods and fruit. The Valentine’s Tea is only open to Hampton residents and historically sign-up sheets have been filled within the first 24 hrs of registrations being accepted.

It is a wonderful event, fun for the kids, fun for their parents, and fun for the Friends volunteers!!!

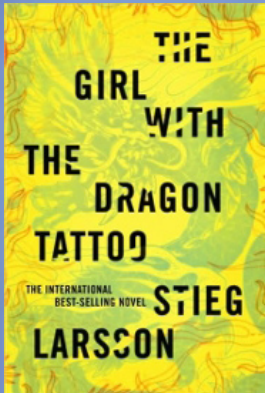
Want to be a part of the fun? We need bakers to make the treats for the Tea and volunteers to help out the day of the Tea.

If you would like to volunteer and/or have questions, please contact Shelley Chandler at shelleyandsydney@yahoo.com or Kris Sawyer at mosaw@comcast.net 929-6292



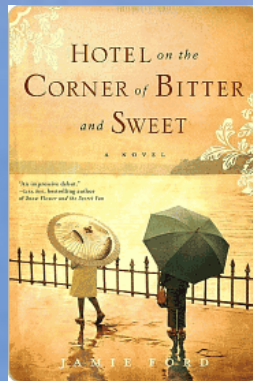
The *Twilight Book Club* meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Little Room of the Lane Memorial Library. Copies of each month's selection are available for checkout at the library circulation desk. New members are always welcome!

Upcoming selections include:



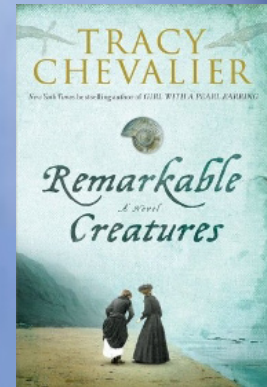
March 2

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo
by Stieg Larsson



April 6

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet
by Jamie Ford



May 4

Remarkable Creatures
by Tracy Chevalier

The *Twilight Book Club* is designed for avid readers who have a busy daytime schedule but who would like to meet one evening a month with others of like mind for a conversation about books. We read widely across many genres, and book club members have said many times how much they enjoyed a particular book that was 'off their usual radar.'

How do Lane Library Friends spend monies raised through their various efforts? The following is a list of recent purchases and donations:

- * \$500 donation to the Lane Library Dearborn Redden Room in memory of Catherine Redden
- * Museum of Fine Arts annual membership
- * Holiday gift cards for Adult Services and Children's Room volunteers
- * Buffing machine for repairing scratched DVDs

Friends helping Friends

It's that time of year to renew your Friends of Lane annual membership, and you'll then continue receiving our newsletter. If you have already renewed, thank you so much. You can further your support by spreading the word to friends and neighbors to join the Friends.

Give a membership as a gift, or pass this on!

Please print out and mail
or bring in to the
library:

To: The FRIENDS of
Lane Memorial Library
c/o The Lane Memorial Library
2 Academy Ave.
Hampton, NH 03842
(603) 926-3368

I am enclosing \$_____ to cover the membership. I have checked below.

Please make checks payable to
The Friends of Lane Memorial Library

___ Individual, per year \$10
___ Family \$15
___ Patron \$50
___ Benefactor \$100

Name: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

*E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

*Providing your e-mail helps reduce costs.

Be a FRIEND and JOIN TODAY!

Lane Library on Facebook/Twitter/MySpace

Did you know that the Lane Library is on Facebook? Become a fan of Lane at www.facebook.com/HamptonLibrary, or follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/lanelibhampton! Hampton teens - the Lane Library is on MySpace at www.myspace.com/hamptonteens!

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Established in 1958, the Friends is a multiage volunteer organization whose mission is to preserve and strengthen Hampton's library as a community resource.