

NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY

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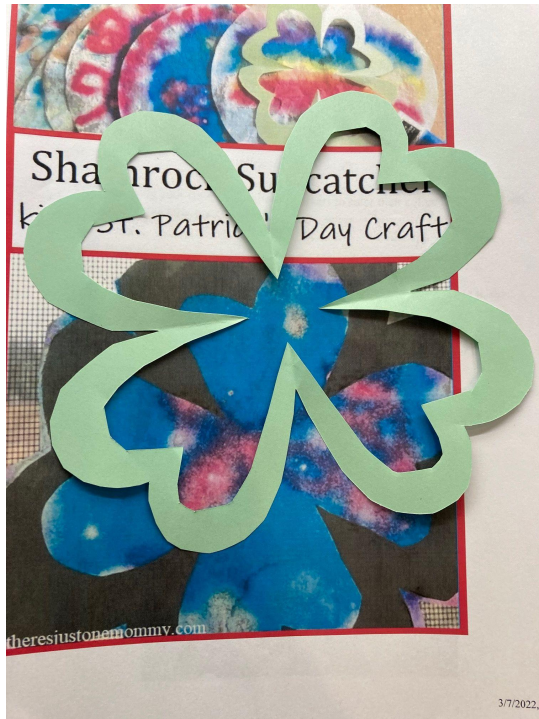
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SPRING RECAP

In the merry month of March, we hosted a Carnival Storytime here at the library, featuring some circus-themed stories and fun activities like juggling (or maybe “attempted juggling” is more accurate!), ring toss, and other fun games.



We also got our Irish on with a St. Patrick's Day-themed storytime, and your Director read a few classic St. Patty's Day stories. Then we all did a craft and had some snacks.



Unfortunately, your Director came down with a nasty case of the Covids at the end of March, so that kind of threw a wrench into the proceedings during the month of April. But he recovered and rallied enough to help out the Rec Department with their movie event during Spring Break (no photos, but it did happen!)

In other news, the Vermont Department of Libraries has a new State Librarian named Cathy Delneo, and your Director participated in a virtual Meet & Greet on the 14th. (He thinks Cathy's going to be a great fit at the Vermont Department of Libraries!) Also, your Director is closing in on his Certificate of Public Librarianship--only two more credits to go! He'll be attending the Vermont Library Association conference at the beginning of June in Castleton, during which he will be recognized for this achievement.

NORTHEAST KINGDOM LIBRARY TOUR

On April 26th, your Director took part in a tour of four libraries in the Northeast Kingdom: the Jeudevine (in Hardwick), Greensboro Free Library, Simpson Memorial (in East Craftsbury), and the Craftsbury Public Library. It was a very fun and informative trip, and it was great to see library colleagues in person! And at the end of it, we all got cheese from Jasper Hill Farm. Yum!!



The Jeudevine has some beautiful stained glass windows.



The Greensboro Free Library has lots of books for sale, and some LPs too.



Brassknocker Farm, next door to the Simpson Memorial Library in East Craftsbury.



The Simpson Memorial Library is part museum and part library ...and they have a ping pong table in one of their rooms!



A cheesy ending to a fun day!

SUMMER PREVIEW



This year, the Summer Reading theme is Oceans of Possibilities, and we're going to "seas" the moment and ride some waves of summertime fun! We have a few programs already lined up, with lots more events and activities on the way:

Tuesday, June 7th (time TBD): Come to the opening reception for Franklin County artists Barbara "Bobbie" Flack and Orah Moore as they present their show of photographs at the Haston! The theme of the show is "Traveling in the Mind During Covid Time." Meet the artists and enjoy some snacks and drinks as you take in the photographic visions of these two imaginative artists.

Tuesday, June 21st (time TBD): It's World Music Day, and your Director is ready to play! Enjoy some classic cover tunes, and perhaps an original song or two, with locally-sourced musical comrades Uncle John's Band. We'll be setting up outside the Town Hall if the weather's nice, and inside if it's not so nice.

Also in June (stay tuned for details): Franklin artist & teacher Kathy Rouleau will be doing some fun art programs for the kiddos. And local teacher, historian, and author Jay Barney will be returning to give a talk about his new book, which investigates the role of Vermont in the American Revolution.

Tuesday, July 12th, 2 PM on the Town Green or at the Town Hall: We'll be hosting Modern Times Theater again, with their madcap music, puppetry, and humorous hijinks!

Monday, July 18th, 2 PM on the Town Green or at the Town Hall: Magician Alix Hilshey will dazzle and bemuse with her sleight-of-hand and astounding magic tricks! Fun for the whole family!

Tuesday, July 26th, 12 PM at the Town Hall: The Southern Vermont Natural History Museum will return to Franklin with *Watershed Wildlife*, which is an aquatically-themed animal program.

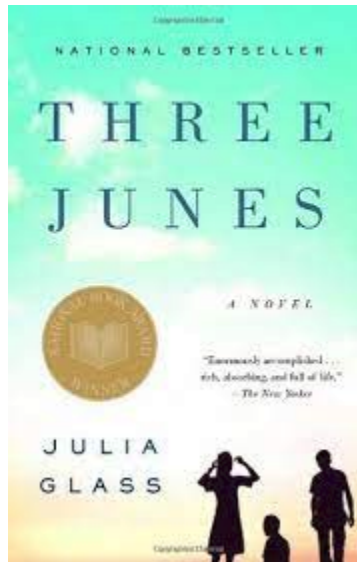
Make sure to keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for more summer programming as it develops!

IT'S TIME FOR A PLANT SWAP!



Come on down to the library on Saturday, May 14th and swap your way to gardening bliss!!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



This month, the library's book group will be discussing Three Junes, by Julia Glass (date, time, and venue to be determined). Contact the library to reserve a copy of the book and/or to inquire about how to join virtually if you'd like to participate!

DATABASE/SERVICE OF THE MONTH:

Have you ever visited the **Vermont Online Library**? Covering everything from magazine and newspaper articles to DIY car repair and business help, Vermont Online Library can help with any topic. Users can even read articles by issue from popular magazines, including *The New York Times*, *Economist*, *Cosmopolitan*, and *Esquire*. It's featured on the Haston's website, and you can also access it by clicking on the link below:

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