

NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY

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JUNE NEWS & EVENTS

- Wednesdays are usually library-free days for your Director, since the library is closed that day, but on Wednesday, June 7th, Director Worman attended the annual meeting of the Vermont Library Association. Luckily, it was held online, and only lasted half an hour! (Who ever heard of a meeting lasting only half an hour?!) Anyway, the big news coming out of said meeting was that Director Worman was elected Vice President of the Public Library Division of the Vermont Library Association (it was a landslide, but on the other hand, he was running unopposed). It's quite a title, but all it really means is that Director Worman will be working with the President of the Public Library Division of the Vermont Library Association (one Katherine Goldsmith, of Starksboro) to promote and carry out a few library-related projects and events around the state over the coming year, so nobody should be too impressed by it. (Okay, you can be a little impressed, maybe, if you really want to be).



(Credit for the photos goes to Ethan Dezotelle [L] & Robert Franklin [R])

- On Wednesday, June 21st, Director Worman and his band of merry music-makers descended on the Franklin Town Hall for the second year in a row to celebrate World Music Day. The event is known as Make Music Vermont (at least in the state of Vermont), and is sponsored and promoted by Big Heavy World, in Burlington. Uncle

John's Band played two sets of classic rock and folk numbers on the front porch of the hall, as the weather cooperated and provided a beautiful evening for all to enjoy. As the Make Music Alliance reported, "An astounding **4,791 music-making events** took place in the U.S. on June 21 – 25% more than in 2022 – along with performances by thousands more musicians in 120 countries around the world who celebrated the day." We had a great turnout--thanks to everyone who stopped by to listen!



- We had our Summer Reading Kick-Off on Friday, June 23rd, and Miss Cassie helped the kids make and decorate hand cut-outs to illustrate the theme of "All Together Now." Everyone brought a favorite book (or two!), and Miss Cassie read Me! Fell, which we decided was the Haston's favorite book, at least for the moment! Miss Cassie also held our first "STEAM-y Monday" event on June 26th, which was an experiment to see how many rubber bands it takes to make a 5-pound watermelon explode. (It turned out to be 227, in case you were wondering!) She'll be doing more Science, TEchnology, Art, and Math projects on Mondays at 1:00 PM over the course of the summer, geared towards kids aged 7 to 12.
- And on Thursday, June 29th, the library hosted a Vermont Reads event to discuss The Most Costly Journey, with special guest Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland, Migrant Health Coordinator for Bridges to Health at UVM Extension. It was a very lively and interesting conversation which touched on many of the issues raised by the

book. A big “thank you” to Naomi for agreeing to take part and for sharing some of her experiences and reflections on working with the migrant population in Vermont over the years.

MODERN TIMES THEATER RETURNS!

Once again, our friends at Modern Times Theater have agreed to come back to Franklin Town Hall for another round of silly and scintillating puppet-based entertainment! If the weather obliges, they’ll be performing outside--otherwise, we’ll all gather in the Town Hall to witness the hijinks on Thursday, July 6th at 3 PM.

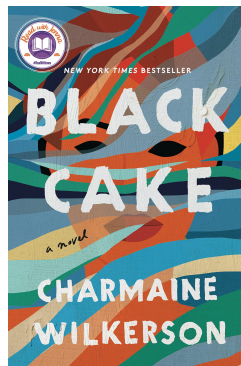
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BAKE SALE AT THE BBQ



On Saturday, July 8th starting at 3:00 PM, the library will be having its annual Bake Sale at the BBQ. Thanks to the Franklin Fire Department for making room for us at Franklin Central School! Stop by to visit and pick up a few goodies for dessert after you enjoy your chicken. All treats will be available by donation except for pies, which will be \$10 apiece. Contact the library or a Trustee if you'd like to supply something for us to sell to support the library and its programs!

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



This month, the library's book group will meet on Thursday, July 13th at 4:00 PM to discuss Black Cake, by Charmaine Wilkerson. Please note that the group will be meeting at 40 Vic's Crossing, on Lake Carmi. Contact the library to reserve a copy of the book if you'd like to participate.

ALYX THE MAGICIAN



On Monday, July 17th, magician Alyx Hilshey will be performing at the Town Hall at 3:00 PM. Alyx came to Franklin last summer and dazzled us with an impressive array of amazing sleight-of-hand tricks, and she also incorporated our summer reading theme into her show. Don't miss this exciting and talented young performer! Fun for all ages!

OUR WILD COMMUNITY



Michael Clough of the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum returns to Franklin with another fun and fascinating live animal presentation! We often think of wildlife living in “wild” places only. But your backyard is full of life, no matter where it is. Meet some of the animals that live right in your

own neighborhood, and learn how we can all get along better. The program is appropriate for all ages. Mike will be appearing at the Town Hall on Saturday, July 22nd at 10 AM.

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