

NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY

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JULY NEWS & EVENTS

- We had another STEAM-y Monday on July 3rd, as Miss Cassie invited the assembled young'uns to paint some patriotic t-shirts. Luckily, the weather cooperated, so we were able to make a nice mess outside! The kids did some good painterly work, and they ended up with some cool-looking shirts.



- On Thursday the 6th, our friends from Modern Times Theater returned to Franklin with their latest incarnation of the Punch & Judy show. We had a great turnout, in spite of the hot and humid weather! And once again, children and adults alike were amused and entertained by the manic antics of Punch, Judy, and their assorted friends and nemeses.



- Thanks to the Franklin Fire Department for allowing us to have our Bake Sale again during the annual chicken bar-b-que! And a big thank you to everyone who contributed all the yummy baked goods.
- Alyx the Magician returned to Franklin on Monday, July 17th, and we had lots of kids (and grownups, too!) who were blown away by her tricks and her amazing sleight-of-hand! She also incorporated the Summer Reading theme of “All Together Now” into her show, which was a nice bonus. Alyx is an incredible talent, and we look forward to having her back again some other time in the future!



- Saturday, July 22nd was kind of a dreary and drizzly day, but that didn't prevent close to forty people from coming out to see Our Wild Community! Mike Clough, from the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum, brought an assortment of creatures for everyone to see (and in some cases, pet), and he also had lots of interesting stories and facts to relay to the assembled crowd. All in all, it was a fun and fascinating program, and we were thrilled to have Mike back at the Town Hall, doing his thing!



LIBRARY FUNDRAISER AT DUE NORTH



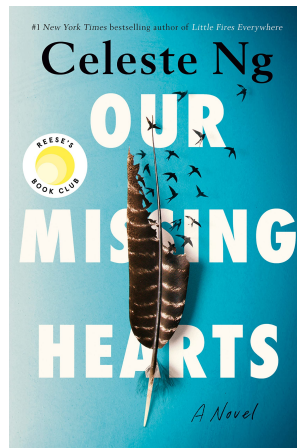
You are cordially invited to Due North Winery on Sunday, August 6th to sample some delicious wines, enjoy classic rock, pop, and folk tunes, snack on pizza from Mill River, and support the Haston Library! Franklin's own Uncle John's Band will be providing the soundtrack for the afternoon. Due North is located at 206 Skunk's Misery Road, just off Route 120 between Franklin and Sheldon. There's no charge for entry, but donations are encouraged in support of the library and its mission.

NO STRINGS MARIONETTE CO.



On Tuesday, August 8th at 2:00 PM, the library will welcome No Strings Marionette Company to the Town Hall for a performance of Wasabi... A Dragon's Tale! Exquisitely crafted marionettes perform amidst sumptuous story-book scenery. A transforming sprite, a fashionable knight, and a seven foot dragon partake in this newfangled fable, where both your imagination and the stage have no boundaries.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



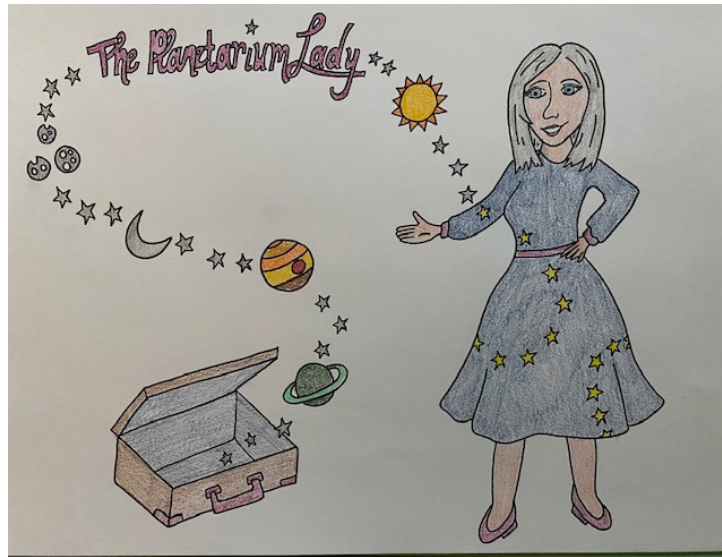
This month, the book group will be meeting at the library on Thursday, August 10th at 3:30 PM to discuss Our Missing Hearts, by Celeste Ng. Contact the library to reserve a copy of the book if you'd like to participate.

WALKING TOUR OF FRANKLIN



We're hoping that Saturday, August 12th is a beautiful, sunny day (fingers crossed), because the Historical Society is presenting a Walking Tour of Franklin on that day! It will start at the Town Hall and run from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and the Haston will be one stop along the way. You never know, Elvira herself might make an appearance!

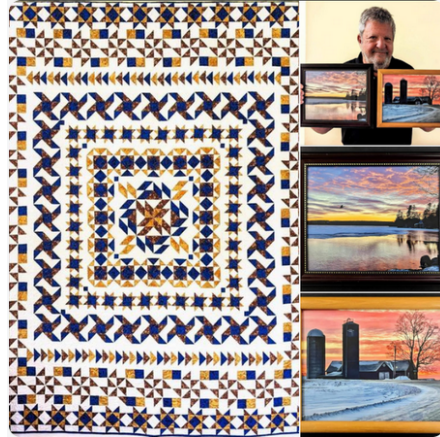
THE PLANETARIUM LADY RETURNS!



Carrie Cruz, the Planetarium Lady, returns to the Town Hall on Thursday, August 17th with her amazing portable planetarium! Carrie will take us on a "cruise" around the universe--we'll all be able to explore the heavens without having to leave Franklin. There will be two sessions, at 2:00 and 3:15 PM, so be sure to call or email the library to reserve a spot.

HOMESTEAD 30TH ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE & RAFFLE

Our community partners at the Homestead and Carriage House are celebrating their 30th anniversary on Sunday, August 20th, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM! There will be tours of the facility, and music by Uncle John's Band. Raffle tickets for "Unity," a Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt, handmade and signed by Helen Short, are available at the library. The cost is \$1.00 per ticket, or six for \$5.00, and all ticket sales benefit the Homestead. Also included in the raffle will be two framed photographs by Homestead resident David Pratt. Three separate raffle tickets will be drawn, one ticket for each item. Stop by the library and pick up some tickets, and be sure to join us at the Homestead on August 20th to celebrate this important milestone!



Quilt (left) and photographer David Pratt with his work (right). *Note: Photographer not included with raffle prizes.*

SUMMER READING FINALE



Join us for our Summer Reading Finale!! Date and time to be determined, but keep an eye on our website and Facebook for updates. There will be games, snacks, and prizes for everyone who has participated in Summer Reading this year!

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