

NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY

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JUNE PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- As mentioned previously, we are thrilled to have Sadie Newton on board--she's already proving to be a great addition to the team! Mrs. Sadie started June off with a program for World Ocean Day, and she showed the kids how to make an ocean in a jar. And on the final Monday of the month, she led a bouquet-making workshop for the kids, with flowers generously donated by Flowers by Jenny. For the rest of the summer, she'll be doing Make It Mondays at 10 AM (every Monday, of course!) It's geared towards grade-school kids, but all ages are welcome to attend.



- Mrs. Sadie also started helping Mr. Josh with Story Time--she's already come up with some great ideas for our Friday morning get-togethers!



- We were delighted to host Jamie Olson and a group of five high school students from MVU on Monday, June 8th. The students explored our collection of picture books, and they checked out a whole lot of them so that they could use them to practice reading to local grade school students. It's always a pleasure to host our friends from the local schools!
- For our Summer Reading Kickoff on June 22nd, we invited Champlain Color Dips to the library for a very colorful experience! The kids had lots of fun dipping their hands and arms into the non-toxic body paint, and the results were quite impressive! (And we might've even signed up a few kids for Summer Reading in the process.)



- On Saturday the 27th, we welcomed professor Rachael Cohen to the library for a discussion of the Vermont Reads selection The Light Pirate, by Lily Brooks-Dalton. It was a small group, but Professor Cohen asked many probing questions, and the discussion was very lively!
- In other news, our knitting group met once this month, and our book discussion group had a meeting to talk about The Green Mile, by Stephen King.

LIBRARY BAKE SALE



The library will be closed on Saturday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day, but we'll be holding our annual Bake Sale on the library lawn from 11 AM until 1 PM, while the Franklin Fire Department has their chicken bar-b-que. Stop by and pick up some tasty homemade treats for dessert after enjoying your chicken! If you're donating some baked goods, please drop them off between 10:30 and 11:00. Thank you for your continued support!

LIBRARY & REC BENEFIT AT DUE NORTH



Join us at Due North Winery on Sunday, July 12th for a benefit for the Haston and Franklin Rec! Uncle John's Band will perform between 12 noon and four p.m, and this year, we'll have the Creemee Cart on the premises as well! It's sure to be a fun-filled afternoon (with tasty snacks!) Admission is free, as always, with donations much appreciated.

THE PLANETARIUM LADY RETURNS!



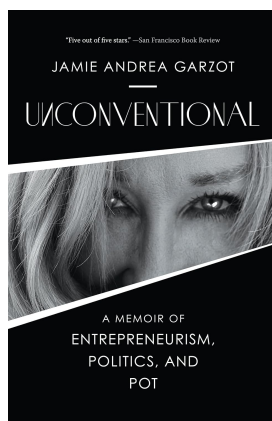
We're super excited to be welcoming Carrie Cruz, aka The Planetarium Lady, back to Franklin for another fascinating program, featuring her portable planetarium! This summer, Carrie is offering a new program--a "story of survival," featuring our dinosaur friends. She'll do two sessions at the Town Hall on Thursday, July 16th, at 1:00 and 2:00 in the afternoon. Call or email the library to sign up ahead of time!

NCSS COMES TO STORY TIME

NORTHWESTERN COUNSELING & SUPPORT SERVICES

Be sure to bring your little tykes to the library on Friday, July 24th at 10 a.m. as we welcome Michelle Trayah of Northwestern Counseling and Support Services back during another Story Time! We'll have our regular songs and stories with Mrs. Sadie and Mr. Josh, and Michelle will have lots of fun swag and information about everything that NCSS has to offer the community.

BOOK TALK WITH JAMIE GARZOT



Jamie Andrea Garzot was one of the least likely people to become a cannabis entrepreneur, advocate, and industry pioneer. She had no business background. She was not involved in politics. She had only a four-figure capital investment to start with. And she had very limited experience with cannabis products. So how did Garzot find herself at the forefront of California's cannabis movement? Join us at the Town Hall on Saturday, July 25th at 11 a.m. to hear Jamie speak about her adventures in the wild and wooly world of California cannabis entrepreneurship! She will also be providing free copies of her book to all who attend.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



This month, the book group will discuss [The Second Life of Mirielle West](#), by Amanda Skenandore. They'll meet on Thursday, July 30th at 2:30 p.m. Contact the library if you'd like to read the book and join the discussion!

...AND A COUPLE FRIENDLY REMINDERS:

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY FAIR--READ & WIN

Once again, the Haston is participating in Read & Win, for kids in grades K-8. Just read three books between June 20th and August 15th and win admission to the Champlain Valley Fair, a free book, a \$5 ride ticket, and even a free ice cream! Stop by the library to pick up a voucher, fill it out with the three book titles, and return it to the library to get your ribbon to present at the fair.

SUMMER PASSPORT PROGRAM

This summer, the libraries of Franklin County are sponsoring a Summer Passport Program, to encourage everyone to visit all of the libraries in the county. Pick up a passport at any library and get it stamped at all thirteen Franklin County libraries to be eligible for prizes!

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