



# Friends of the Paul Memorial Library Newfields Community Newsletter

A quarterly newsletter for the incredible residents of Newfields, NH

March 2016



## Bring Your Appetite for Pancakes and Fundraising!

Mark your calendars now! Please join the Library Board of Trustees for their 6th annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 16 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Newfields Elementary School. The cost is \$20/family or \$5/person. Funds raised from this event will go toward building our new outdoor patio (hopefully with a fire pit) this spring! We are looking forward to better utilizing our beautiful library backyard to host a wide variety of community events.

### New Knitting Group at the Library!

Are you interested in learning how to knit? Bring yarn and knitting needles and our experts will show you the basics. Knit2Gether meets every Thursday from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Bring your current projects or join us for some inspiration.



### June 18th to be a Day of Racing and Celebrating the Solstice!

This year, the 18th Annual Newfields 5k Road Race will take place on the same day as the Annual Summer Solstice Party! On June 18, start the day with a morning run through Newfields neighborhoods, and then celebrate your accomplishment by joining the rest of the town at the Newfields Country Store for food, family, and fun. Proceeds from the 5k race will go to the Aven Crane Cancer Foundation. Register at [http://www.lightboxreg.com/newfields\\_2016](http://www.lightboxreg.com/newfields_2016)

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# “Check Out” What’s New at Paul Memorial Library



## A Note from the Director’s Desk

I was recently pondering what the word "library" really means to a variety of different people—what are our perceptions of the actual place? What does our town library mean to you?

One of my conclusions is that many people still think it is a place to get books. Many of us have wonderfully fond memories of going to the public library—a place where you absolutely had to be quiet and you just got...books! Maybe the librarians were friendly or perhaps they were not.

So much has changed now—you really don't have to be quiet in our town library. You can bring your coffee with you or help yourself to the coffee and tea that we have available to you. Free Wi-Fi is available so you can catch up on email, news, or surf the Internet on your device or one of our public computers. We want you to feel here welcome here—let us know if for any reason we don't fulfill that promise.

You can borrow magazines, books on CD, museum passes, DVDs (we have over 900 movies), and even our telescope. If we don't have an item you are looking for, we can try to get it via inter-library loan. Come to one of our many programs that we offer each month—activities for children, teens, and adults. Join one of our two Book Clubs or our new Knitting Group. Learn how to use Overdrive to download books, audios, and magazines to any of your devices for free.

Our space is utilized by many organizations in town for meetings—the Library Trustees, NYAA, Main Street Art, and the Garden Club. Let us know if you need a place for your group to meet.

Reconsider the word "library" and think of us as the community center in Newfields—that's a much better description of what we are all about. Please stop by and see what I mean!

Hope to see you at the library -

*Pam Birch*



## Coloring for Teens!!!

Come join the latest craze here at the library! Teens are invited to join us each Tuesday afternoon during the month of March from 2:30-4:30 p.m. We will supply the sheets and pencils. March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29.

## How to Use Overdrive to Download Books, Audios, and Magazines!

Make 2016 the year that you finally learn how to download books to your devices, audios to your cell phone, and magazines to your iPad.

Directions are below. You will need your four-digit library card number (ask us!) and the phone number that we have on file for you.

- Go to: <http://nh.lib.overdrive.com>
- Sign in with your library card number. Your password is your phone number without area code.
- Select Newfields Public Library from the dropdown menu.

Then you are all set—please check with us if you have any problems! Happy reading or listening!

## Library Lecture Series Continues

**The Adventures of Buffalo and Tough Cookie  
Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.**

Please join hiker and author Dan Szczesny along with his hiking partner, Janelle, talk about their experiences hiking in New Hampshire—completing a little-known hiking list called *The 52 With a View*.

**Cows and Communities: How the Lowly Bovine Has Nurtured New Hampshire Through Four Centuries  
Wednesday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. - Steve Taylor**

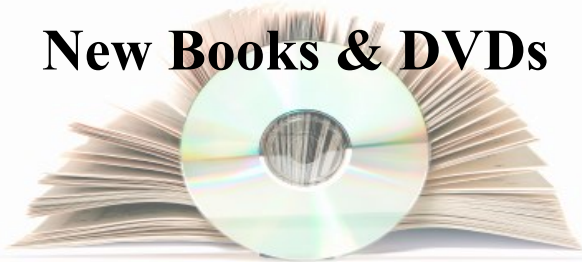
In today's world of smart phones, tablets, and other high-tech devices, it is easy to dismiss the role that cows have played, and still do, in New Hampshire. How quickly the subject of cows can be “put out to pasture,” so to speak, to be overlooked and forgotten in the complexities of our daily lives. But cows have been, and continue to be, key players in New Hampshire's economy, industry, education, healthcare, and even pizza parlors. Come learn about this important part of our state's history!

Steve Taylor is an independent scholar, farmer, journalist and longtime public official, who served as the state's agriculture commissioner from 1982-2007.

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## New Books & DVDs



### Adult Fiction

*The Age of Reinvention* by Karine Tuil  
*Best Boy* by Eli Gottlieb  
*Blue* by Danielle Steel  
*The Blue Hour* by Douglas Kennedy  
*Breakdown* by Jonathan Kellerman  
*Brotherhood in Death* by J.D. Robb  
*The Children's Crusade* by Ann Packer  
*A Dangerous Place* by Jacqueline Winspear  
*Delicious Foods* by James Hannaham  
*Early Warning* by Jane Smiley  
*Euphoria* by Lily King  
*The Fair Fight* by Anna Freeman  
*Find Her* by Lisa Gardner  
*The High Mountains of Portugal* by Yann Martel  
*A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara  
*Medicis Daughter* by Sophie Perinot  
*Midnight Sun* by Jo Nesbo  
*My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante  
*My Sunshine Away* by M.O. Walsh  
*The Sellout* by Paul Beatty  
*The Story of a New Name* by Elena Ferrante  
*The Story of the Lost Child* by Elena Ferrante  
*Those Who Leave and Those Who Stay* by Elena Ferrante  
*The Wolves* by Alex Berenson  
*Under the Influence* by Joyce Maynard

### Adult Nonfiction

*Becoming Nicole* by Amy Nutt  
*Dear Mr. You* by Mary-Louise Parker  
*The Mystery of the Lone Wolf Killer* by Unni Turrettini  
*Pacific* by Simon Winchester  
*Parenting Teens with Love & Logic* by Foster Cline  
*Rosemary: the Hidden Kennedy Daughter* by Kate Larson

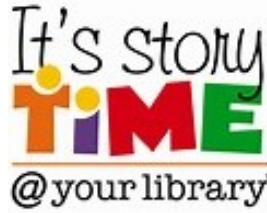
### Young Adult

*The 5<sup>th</sup> Wave* by Rick Yancy  
*American Ace* by Marilyn Nelson  
*The Brightest Night* by Tui Sutherland  
*Cress* by Marissa Meyer  
*Crystal Keepers* by Brandon Mull  
*The Dark Secret* by Tui Sutherland  
*Death Weavers* by Brandon Mull  
*The Dragonet Prophecy* by Tui Sutherland  
*Fairest* by Marissa Meyer  
*Frozen Tides* by Morgan Rhodes  
*The Hidden Oracle* by Rick Riordan  
*Lady Midnight* by Cassandra Clare  
*Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics* by Chris Grabenstein  
*Scarlet* by Marissa Meyer  
*Will to Survive* by Eric Walters

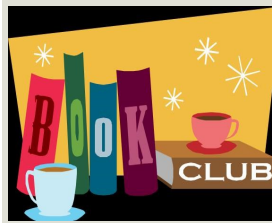
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## Books for Babies!!!

We are planning our annual Books for Babies event for Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. If you have a child born or adopted in 2015/early 2016, please let us know. We will dedicate a book to them to add to our collection and celebrate with a breakfast at that time.



Our Preschool Story Times continue through the end of the May with the exception of school vacation weeks. Please join Miss Maria on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. for songs, reading and crafts!



### Winter is a great time to join one of our Book Clubs!

Our afternoon group will be meeting on the second Wednesday of each month (April 13, May 11, June 8) at 1:00 pm. The evening group meets on the third Monday (April 18, May 16, June 20) at 6:30 p.m.

Copies of the books can be picked up at the library. More details available on our website.

## New Books and DVDs continued...

### Children's Books

*Float* by Daniel Miyares  
*I Don't Want to be a Frog* by Dev Petty  
*It's an Orange Aardvark!* By Michael Hall  
*Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt De La Pena  
*Let me finish!* By Minh Le  
*Red* by Michael Hall  
*Sea Bones* by Bob Barner  
*The Specific Ocean* by Kyo MacLear  
*Thank you and Good Night* by Patrick McDonnell  
*Two Mice* by Sergio Ruzzier  
*Wolfie the Bunny* by Ame Dyckman



### DVDs (kindly provided by our Friends of the Library)

*Burnt*  
*Everest*  
*Grace of Monaco*  
*Homeland, Seasons 3 & 4*  
*Hotel Transylvania 2*  
*Intern*  
*Learning to Drive*  
*The Martian*  
*Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials*  
*Minions*  
*Ricki and the Flash*  
*A Walk in the Woods*




### Audiobooks (on CD)




*Die Again* by Tess Gerritsen  
*See Me* by Nicholas Sparks



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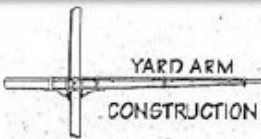
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## Main Street Art News

Main Street Art is releasing its Spring I art schedule for classes and workshops that run from March 7 through April 23. These include Artist's sketch book, Fun with Fibers, Hand Built Ceramics,

Graphic Novel, Art Club, Teen Night plus workshops mosaic, fused glass and photography. Please see our web site [www.mainstreet.org](http://www.mainstreet.org) for details or check out the fliers available soon at NES. In addition, we throw awesome birthday parties and will have a gallery opening on April 1, titled "April Fools." Main Street Art is also offering memberships, and is always seeking volunteers.



## In the Weeds: Turning a Menace into Medicine

The only difference between a weed and a flower is a matter of perspective. As gardeners it sometimes seems no matter how hard we try, the weeds stay one step ahead of us. Stop fighting and start foraging! On Monday, April 4, Britta Memmesheimer will present a program on the medicinal and nutritional value of some of the most common "weeds" found in our backyards. Creative ways to use Dandelion, Dock, Lamb's Quarters, Chickweed, Purslane, Garlic Mustard, and Nettles will be shared in the form of home remedies and wild food recipes.

Britta Memmesheimer is a practicing herbalist with a special interest in constitutional medicine, plant identification, wild food foraging, and women's health. This program is sponsored by the Newfields Garden Club, 7 PM, at the Library. The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

## Lots Going on at Newfields Elementary!

There are a lot of good things happening at the Newfields Elementary school to start 2016. See below to see what they're up to.

- ♦ The 20th Annual Live/Silent Auction and Spaghetti Sauce Cook-Off will be on Saturday, April 2. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. The purpose of this auction is to provide supplemental programs to enrich a regular classroom curriculum.
- ♦ NES teachers Barbara DuPont and Matt Bennett have been nominated for the 2017 NH Teacher of the Year Award. "The program is the oldest and most prestigious honors program to focus public attention on excellence in teaching. Each day a New Hampshire teacher makes a difference in the life of a child. Every year the NH Department of Education honors outstanding teachers who make their communities, profession, and the world a better place." (State of New Hampshire Department Education) Congratulation Mrs. DuPont and Mr. Bennett!
- ♦ March 18, 2016 Teacher in-service day. No school for the children.

## Save the Date!

The senior luncheon will be Sunday, April 3 at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Invitations will be mailed out in March.



American Red Cross

The next Newfields Elementary School Blood Drive is scheduled for Thursday, April 28 from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. Hot Dogs will be served in the canteen. The Blood Mobile is scheduled to be in Newfields on June 23. Currently, the Blood Mobile is located at the Stratham Newfields Veterinary Hospital in order to have easy access to restroom facilities. More details will be forthcoming.

# What's Going on in Newfields, NH

## NYAA Sports News

Another Basketball season has come to a close and the NYAA wants to thank its enthusiastic players and dedicated parent volunteers for its success. Great job Newfields!

Now with the longer days, warmer weather and more sunshine...let's PLAY BALL! There are 4 T-ball teams, 2 grade 1-2's and 16 girls teamed up with Stratham spread out among U10, U12 and U14 teams. The NYAA will hold its opening day on Saturday May 7th, with the T-ball games starting first at 9am. Opening Ceremonies will be held following the first games at 10am. Come down and support our Newfields players on Saturday mornings and don't forget to look for them walking in the Memorial Day Parade!



### Looking ahead...

- Soccer sign-ups will be held the first week of June (before everyone heads off on summer vacations)
- Watch for more detailed registration information to be sent home with your NES student or stop by the Library to pick up registration forms
- Check out the NYAA website at <http://www.leaguelineup.com/nyaa>.
- Follow us on Facebook: NYAA Group

Did you play town sports as a kid? Do you have kids in the programs? Are you an undiscovered David Beckham? Well, with Soccer season on the way the NYAA really needs your help. The success of the programs is dependent on the continued participation and commitment of the Newfields community...the parent volunteers!!

Get Involved: If you can help out, contact Tom Hayward 502-0085, Mike Kessler 580-2088, Kelly McGowan 772-3002 or Alyssa Caggiano 580-5943.

Volunteer needs include: Baseball & Soccer Coordinators, Coaches!

## Keep Informed! Sign Up for the Newfields E-mail Newsletter

Would you like to receive the monthly email newsletter being sent out by Sue McKinnon at Town Hall? Those residents on the email list will receive periodic town updates, such as when to vote, notices of town meetings, changes to trash pickup, issues with the town water supply, and other important information about the town. You will also receive a monthly calendar of events.

If you are interested in being on the email list, please send an email to Sue at [suemckinnon@newfieldsnh.gov](mailto:suemckinnon@newfieldsnh.gov) and ask her to sign you up! This is a great way to keep in touch with what's happening in town.

## Don't Forget Our Neighbors in Need...



Please remember our neighbors in need and visit the town food pantry, located at the Newfields Community Church at 71 Main Street, which accepts donations all yearlong. We welcome anyone who needs assistance.

To contact, please call the church and leave a message at 778.8626 or call Nancy Taylor at 778.8151.



# Good Luck, Chief Reed!

After 14 years, Newfields Police Chief Art Reed left his post to become the police chief in West Newbury, Massachusetts. Police Chief Reed was known for getting to know the residents of Newfields, as well as keeping them safe. He was a regular visitor at the Newfields Elementary School where he closely monitored the crosswalk during pickup and drop-off times, and delivered fresh vegetables from the community garden to elderly residents through the Helpful Hands program. He will be missed.

Police Chief Reed started his post in West Newbury, MA on January 23. Currently, Interim Chief Nate Liebenow is serving as chief.

## Paul Memorial Library Hours

Monday, 12 noon-4 p.m.  
 Tuesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 Wednesday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.  
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