

Pembroke Public Library

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Teen LSTA/IMLS Grant Awarded for Pembroke Has Talent: Youth Artists

The Pembroke Library has won an important grant from the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The Pembroke Library has received \$20,000 for a 2 year federal IMLS/LSTA grant to be used for programs and services to Teens and Tweens. "Pembroke Has Talent: Youth Artists" is a two year program that provides opportunities for teens and tweens to explore different artistic mediums and display their work in the community. They will explore their talents through workshops, instructional materials, art exhibitions, and examples of mainstream art in fiction and media. With the help of the Teen Advisory Group and other community members, input will be provided for choosing materials and workshops. Using a survey done last spring, the library has

responded to the requests of community teens for the varieties of workshop topics.

This October begins the two year cycle. The library will be purchasing Wii games and manga for circulation with the help of the Teen Advisory Group. In addition, the Teen Advisory Group will be taking on leadership program roles throughout the year. Local art teachers will lead multi-week workshops. Our first painting workshop, hosted by Becky Haletky, will be starting this November. Students in the workshop will have an opening gala of their work in our library meeting room in January. Other programs to look forward to are workshops in Hip Hop, Theatre, Photography, Manga and video game presentations.

Under federal legislation, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, through the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996, provides funds

to each state using a population-based formula. The State agency receiving the funds may use the appropriation to support statewide initiatives and services; they may also distribute the funds through grant competitions or cooperative agreements to public, academic, research, school, and special libraries. Federal funds support primarily activities using technology from information sharing between libraries and other community services. They also fund programs that make library resources more accessible to urban, rural and low income residents, or others who have difficulty using library services. For more information about the federal IMLS/LSTA grants, please visit the IMLS website at www.imls.gov, or visit the Mass Board of Library Commissioners' web site at www.mass.gov/mblc.

This quarterly publication is the collective effort of staff members of the Pembroke Public Library. Please share your feedback with us about this newsletter by sending an email to:

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Teen News *by Jessica Lamarre*

The Teen Advisory Group is excited about our upcoming LSTA/IMLS grant. They will have opportunities for leadership as we choose officers this year and purchase materials with our grant money. Since they are such characters, a workshop on performing live picture books is in the works as well as workshops on video editing to help enhance our goals of library promotion and creating fun youth

programs.

TAG's big program of the summer was Candy Land, which was a huge success. They spent countless hours making the props and



dressed as all the characters. We transformed the kid's room into the board game for one afternoon. As gingerbread players traveled around the room, they were given



candy by characters as they tried to be the first to save King Kandy from Lord Licorice. TAG really got into the roles and I have to say it was my favorite program of

the summer. Our next project is a life-sized Clue, so stay tuned!

Congrats to Morgan Bostic who won the iPod Touch in our summer reading program. TAG was a big help in creating thank you cards for donors this year, along with many younger summer reading participants. Compared to last year, two hundred more hours were read this year by the same number of teens.

MP3 Audio Books - *What Are They?*

Have you seen our new collection of MP3 audio books? Have you noticed MP3 listed on our downloadable books database? What does it mean?

MP3 is shorthand for MPEG-1, 2 or level III and was created by the Moving Pictures Expert Group. It is a digital audio format that compresses information so that an audio book that needs 18 regular cds (which captures all the sounds) needs only 2 or 3 MP3 discs. There is, intentionally, some



loss of sounds that are beyond "normal" hearing. MP3 music may have a "sizzle" sound that people don't think about when they listen to their iPods©, and mobile phones. And quality also depends on the player itself.

Not all audio players recognize the MP3 formatted books. You can try them, but no sound will play. They can be played on your computer and downloaded to an MP3 player for listening.

Fond Farewell to This Year's Summer Reading Program

The 2010 Summer Reading Program was a resounding success. Four hundred and eighty-eight children and teens logged over 5000 reading hours this summer! Countless prizes were distributed to youngsters who completed at least three hours of reading in a week. Randomly selected participants from each age category were awarded a more substantial prize each week, and others won sporadic unannounced rewards. Congratulations to our grand prize winners, Morgan Bostic and Alyssa Sparrow!

The 132 students from Bryantville school who registered for the Summer Reading Program logged the highest number of hours, 1347 in all. Rebecca Aretino was their top reader with 87 hours. Hobomock School's 92 readers logged 987 hours, with 95 of them completed by Paige Curran. North Pembroke was represented by 91 students who read a total of 1100 hours, led by Alyssa Sparrow with 96 hours.

The Summer Reading performers were enthusiastically received, and all events were very well-attended.



Henry the Juggler kicked off the summer with an amazing juggling show.

Sparky's Puppet performance was a big hit as well. Animal World Adventures wowed their audience

with up-close introductions to some unusual wildlife, and Mama Steph's stories held the little ones enthralled. Pembroke's kids also came out to enjoy Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dying for Sundaes, and Pokémon parties, a Cardboard Tube Battle, and a life-sized Candy Land game. They en-



joyed drop-in story times and movies, and learned how to make recyclable crafts such as castle pencil holders, duct tape wallets, and fairy houses.

One of the more unusual events was inspired by this year's theme, Go (or Think) Green at your local library. The library sponsored a Recyclable Art Contest, providing materials and studio time for budding artists. All entries were on display in the children's room. The winners of the contest were Danielle LaFave in first place with "Horse," Riley Bermas in second place with "Giraffe," and Nick Morrison in third place for "Old Spoon Shark." Elizabeth Hinkley's eye-catching "Colorful Castle" earned an Honorable Mention. The winner of the popular vote was "Good Luck Guitar" by Sean Devine. Congratulations to all entrants who found ways to bring new life to

discarded materials and devised such creative masterpieces.



The grand finale of the Summer Reading Program was our popular annual Ice Cream

Social, which boasted an extraordinary turnout this year. Each participant in attendance was awarded a certificate, a gift book, an ice cream sundae, and a chance at a surprise raffle of additional prizes. Drawings for the grand prizes, a Nintendo DS Lite



and an iPod Touch, were another highlight of the party. The boisterous festivities enjoyed by the kids and their parents were the perfect ending to a dynamic summer reading program!



Museum Passes *and More!*

The library has museum passes which provide residents the opportunity to visit local museums and zoos at greatly reduced costs.

For instance, the Children's Museum of Boston would charge \$12 per person to visit. With the pass, you can enjoy their exhibits for only \$3 per person. If 4 people go together on the one pass, they'd save \$36.00. Want to visit the Museum of Fine Arts? Without a pass, two people would pay \$40. With the pass? They would pay only \$10. That is quite a savings. How do we provide this truly great service? Do the museums just give us the passes? No, they need money to run their institutions just like everyone else. The Friends

of the Pembroke Library purchase these passes for us at a cost of \$3570 this year. The Massachusetts Cul-



tural Council supports the Friends with a grant each year to help. This year they contributed \$785. So the Friends paid the rest, \$2785. Plan your visits, use the passes and enjoy. And thank the Friends for their support.

These are the museum passes we offer:

Alden House Historic Site
 New England Aquarium (not available July and August)
 Children's Museum Boston
 Heritage Museums and Gardens
 Institute of Contemporary Art/Boston
 Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum
 Plimoth Plantation
 Massachusetts Parks Pass (**Now includes Nantasket!**)
 Museum of Fine Arts
 Museum of Science
 Roger Williams Zoo
 South Shore Natural Science Center

Recent Additions in Children's Books

New Children's Fiction:

Aphrodite the beautiful / Holub, Joan
The big stink / Lubar, David
Blast from the past / Cabot, Meg
Bink and Gollie / DiCamillo, Kate
Clementine, Friend of the Week / Pennypacker, Sara
Framed / Korman, Gordon
Into the gauntlet / Haddix, Margaret Peterson
Pies & prejudice / Frederick, Heather Vogel
Reckless / Funke, Cornelia

Picturebooks:

The great truck rescue / Scieszka, Jon
How Do Dinosaurs Laugh Out Loud? / Yolen, Jane
I'm big! / McMullan, Kate
If you're a monster and you know it / Emberley, Rebecca
The junkyard wonders / Polacco, Patricia
Ooh la la! : it's beauty day / O'Connor, Jane
Little Mouse and the Big Cupcake / Taylor, Thomas
There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed Some Leaves! / Colandro, Lucille

Recent Additions in DVDs

Clash of the titans
Curb your enthusiasm. The complete seventh season
Date night
Diary of a wimpy kid
Elvis : 75th anniversary DVD collection
The ghost writer
Jesse Stone. No remorse

The last song
Marmaduke
Percy Jackson & the Olympians
Temple Grandin
Time machine. The real face of Jesus
The vampire diaries. The complete first season

Adieu to the Adult Summer Reading Program

The people of Pembroke enthusiastically embraced the second annual Adult Summer Reading Program. Eighty-nine people signed up for the program and reviewed almost two hundred and fifty books over the course of the summer. Every participant received one of our new tote bags filled with bonus gifts. Three lucky readers won \$25 gift certificates to local merchants Marylou's, Fedele's, and Dairy Twist, and the Grand Prize winner collected a \$50 gift card to Borders!

Anthony Sammarco ushered in the Summer Reading Program on June

29th with his presentation on the history of the Baker's Chocolate Factory. The audience of forty-two was enlightened about the fascinating history of the company and its relationship to the Dorchester neighborhood where it operated.



Five weeks later Tod Forman entertained a more intimate group with an examination of some of the more fun and unusual statues in Boston.

A screening of the independent film "Mine" rounded out the summer reading events. This poignant documentary profiles five families who survived Hurricane Katrina as they search for and endeavor to recover their lost pets.

It is our hope that all who participated in the Adult Summer Reading Program found it motivating or rewarding in some way. The summer may have drawn to a conclusion, but the fall season offers more enticing opportunities to cozy up indoors with a good book!

Kill-A-Watt™ Available for Library Patrons



The U.S. Department of Energy estimates that about 10 percent of household electricity used is consumed by idle devices. Many appliances (and rechargers) are always "ready" and so they use electricity, all the time! The micro-

wave with the clock you never look at, the cell phone charger left plugged in, the dvd player just waiting for you to watch a movie next weekend are all examples of things wasting energy and ratcheting up your electric bill. It is easy to find out how much energy is being used and how much you can save by deactivating or unplugging these unnecessary devices by using the Kill-A-Watt™. The Kill-A-Watt™ is

a device that measures the amount of electricity various household electric appliances use. It plugs into any standard wall outlet and then "reads" the energy use of the appliance plugged into it.

The library has a Kill A Watt™ for residents to borrow for a week. It is simple to use, comes with a carrying case and instructions. The unit was donated to us by NStar.

Pembroke Public Library Mission Statement

The Pembroke Public Library provides residents of all ages the means to learn throughout their lives; to pursue recreational reading interests; and a place to meet and participate in community discussions.

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Fun For Fall at the Pembroke Public Library!

Labor Day ushers in the fall season of programs and events for children and teens at the Pembroke Public Library. In lieu of our traditional registered storytimes, this autumn we will be offering drop-in storytimes for children ages two and up. Beginning in October, kids may attend a weekly storytime at 10:30 a.m. on Monday or Tuesday, or at

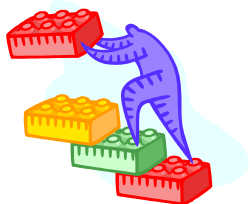


3:30 p.m. on Tuesday. No registration will be required, so stop in at your convenience.

Baby Lapsit will be offered again on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., on a drop-in basis as always.

Older kids may enjoy the new Lego Club on

Thursday
October 14th
from 4:00 to
5:00 p.m. Kids
aged seven
and up are



invited to our first-ever Lego Club meeting, where they will have the opportunity to build with and share their Legos. Registration is required and begins on October 1st.

Donations of new or gently used Legos would be greatly appreciated!

TAG

Our Teen Advisory Group is always looking for new members to help plan events and make suggestions for the teen offerings at the library. Attendance qualifies for community service hours. The next meeting will be held on Thursday

October 21st at 5:00 p.m. We are also having a special lock-in on Friday October 8th from 7 to 11p.m. for TAG members only.

TAG will also be hosting Adult Wii tutorials on Tuesday November 2nd and Friday November 12th at 12:30 p.m. The program is called "Wii Teach Adults." A technology sandbox wherein adults can try out the latest teen gizmos is under development.

Play the new Wii game *Goldeneye* on Monday November 22nd from 4–5:30 p.m. This celebration, open to ages 11 and up, is part of our Teens and Tweens grant which awarded us money to purchase circulating Wii games.



The Creative Writing Group will meet on Monday October 4th and November 8th at 4:30 p.m. Pre-registration is necessary to join the group, so check for openings at the youth services desk.



The free movie of the month for October will be the newly released *How to Train Your Dragon*, rated PG, on Wednesday the 27th at 4:00 p.m.



On Wednesday November 3rd we are pleased to present *Toy Story 3*, again at 4:00 p.m. Viewers are encouraged to bring their own snacks and settle in

for these relaxing afternoons!



Warm up for the big day and give your costume a trial run at our annual Halloween Trick or

Treat on Thursday, October 28th at 6:00 p.m.. Join us for early trick-or-treating at the library, games, and spooky characters for ages 5 and up. A jack-o-lantern contest will be held, so bring your decorated pumpkins. On the following day (Friday October 29th), a Halloween-themed story time will be held at 10:30 a.m. and again at 3:30 p.m for ages 2 and up. Pre-registration will be required for both events and will begin on October 1st.

We are pleased to host a traveling cranberry bog pit exhibit by the Hanson Children's Museum during the week of October 12th. Workshops will be conducted on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 a.m. for ages 2-5 in lieu of storytime. Registration is required and begins on Friday, October 1st.

Make something spooky during our open craft time on Monday October 18th at 4pm for ages 5 & up. Just like last summer, all materials in the craft room will be available for use. Just bring an idea!

This is just a sampling of the library's many offerings. Please stop by the children's room and pick up our monthly calendar for a complete listing.

Entertaining Programs for Adults

There are always lots of children's programs (Go Jess!!) but there are adult programs as well.

Yoga

Yoga, sponsored by the Friends of the Pembroke Library. On **Wednesday morning** and **Thursday nights**, instructors Barbara Ward and Brooke Stanton lead their classes through relaxing and strengthening stretches. This class is a bargain at just \$35 for 4 sessions for members of the Friends.

Ghost Stories

On **October 13th**, Christopher Daley will present "Haunted History of New England." The only thing better than a good ghost story is a ghost story that is based on a true historical event! Listen to New England ghost stories based in fact, such as the story of Mercy Brown the Vampire of Exeter Rhode Island, the haunted Hoosac Tunnel in Western Massachusetts, the ghosts of the murdered sisters on Smutty Nose Island in Maine, and the hauntings at the Lizzie Borden House, as well as many other stories that will catch and hold your interest.

Song

On **October 26th**, Two Old Friends (Mac McHale and Emery Hutchins) return to Pembroke to entertain us with their Irish and seafaring folksongs. These gents always draw a crowd and are fun and talented.

History

In **November**, historian Anthony Sammarco presents his "Howard Johnson's : 28 Flavors" program on the **9th**. A truly local business success, Howard Johnson began his empire on Beale Street in Wollaston selling newspapers, cigars and ice cream. By the 1930's he was offering the famous 28 flavors. Come and enjoy this lavishly illustrated slide lecture. You will not be disappointed! And, remember, HoJos was in Pembroke too!

Christmas

Anthony Sammarco returns on **December 14th** for "Christmas Traditions." Christmas celebrations date back to the middle ages. Anthony will bring us back to the early history of Christmas in America, where the Puritans once banned any holiday traditions. Greens and holly as decorations date back to the Revolution. Did you know that Christmas cards started in Roxbury? Both entertaining and informative, this slide lecture will delight.

Many of these programs are sponsored by the good and generous work of the Friends of the Pembroke Library. Please come, enjoy, and if you see them, say "Thanks!"

Recent Additions in Young Adult Fiction

The cardturner : a novel about a king, a queen, and a joker / Sachar, Louis

Classic : an it girl novel / Von Ziegesar, Cecily

Dead is just a rumor / Perez, Marlene

Fallout / Hopkins, Ellen

Foiled / Yolen, Jane

Glee : the beginning, an original novel / Lowell, Sophia

My little phony : a Clique novel / Harrison, Lisi

Radiance : a novel / Noël, Alyson

Rock & role / Gold, Maya

Sabotaged / Haddix, Margaret Peterson

September / Lord, Gabrielle

The Tasters Guild / Appelbaum, Susannah

Recent Additions in Adult Books

Adult Fiction:

The burning wire : a Lincoln Rhyme novel / Deaver, Jeffery

Family ties : a novel / Steel, Danielle

Ice cold : a Rizzoli & Isles novel / Gerritsen, Tess

In the name of honor : a novel / Patterson, Richard North

The lion : a novel / DeMille, Nelson

Private / Patterson, James

Private life : a novel / Smiley, Jane

Robert Ludlum's The Bourne objective : a new Jason Bourne novel

Sizzling sixteen / Evanovich, Janet

The unbearable lightness of scones / McCall Smith, Alexander

Adult Non-Fiction:

Alone at sea : Gloucester in the age of the dorymen, 1623-1939 / Morris, John N.

Ask the right questions, hire the best people / Fry, Ronald W.

The company town : the industrial Edens and satanic mills that shaped the American economy / Green, Hardy

Creative girl : the ultimate guide for turning talent and creativity into a real career / Sise, Katharine

The complete guide to preventing foreclosure on your home : legal secrets to beat foreclosure and protect your home now / Maeda, Martha

Digital photography best practices and workflow handbook : a guide to staying ahead of the workflow curve / Russotti, Patti

Empire of the summer moon : Quanah Parker and the rise and fall of the Comanches, the most powerful GailIndian tribe in American history / Gwynne, S. C

How to raise your adult children : because big kids have even bigger problems / Parent

Family vegetarian cooking : 225 recipes everyone will love

I'm going to college---not you! : surviving the college search with your child

Jimmy Carter / Zelizer, Julian E.

The lost dogs : Michael Vick's dogs and their tale of rescue and redemption / Gorant, Jim

Mastering cycling / Howard, John

Night photography : finding your way in the dark / Keimig, Lance

100% Photoshop : creating stunning illustrations without using any photographs / Caplin, Steve

The power / Byrne, Rhonda

Promise me : how a sister's love launched the global movement to end breast cancer / Brinker, Nancy

Adult Biographies:

A journey : my political life / Blair, Tony

Angelina : an unauthorized biography / Morton, Andrew

Composed : a memoir / Cash, Rosanne

Edward Kennedy : an intimate biography / Hersh, Burton

Walt Disney : a biography / Krasniewicz, Louise

Adult Audio Books on CD:

After the night / Howard, Linda

The cobra / Forsyth, Frederick

Corduroy mansions / McCall Smith, Alexander

Cure / Cook, Robin

Family ties : a novel / Steel, Danielle

The girl who kicked the hornet's nest a novel / Larsson, Stieg

I'd know you anywhere: a novel / Lippman, Laura

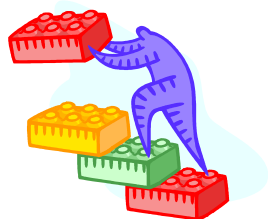
Live to tell: a detective D.D. Warren novel / Gardner, Lisa

The red queen / Gregory, Philippa

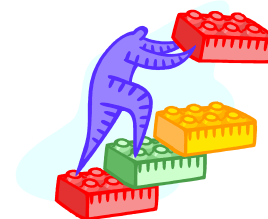
Running scared / Jackson, Lisa

Scarlet nights / Deveraux, Jude

The spy / Cussler, Clive



The Children's Room is looking for donations of new or gently used Legos to be used for our new Lego club which will begin meeting in October.



Friends of Pembroke Library News - *friend to friend*

October 2010

The Friends of the Pembroke Library would like to thank all of our "Friends" who donated and participated in the July Silent Auction. We raised over \$1,700.00.



We had some great donations and the winners got great stuff. The Friends plan to continue this fundraiser next

summer, so watch for information about our Third Annual Silent Auction at the library. Keep the Friends in mind as you do your spring cleaning next year!

Please know that you can become a Friend anytime during the year. For only \$10, you can help support your community library. The Friends are an authorized 501c3 organization, so your membership dues are also tax deductible. **Find a membership form at the library or on the library's website at www.pembrokepubliclibrary.org.**

The Friends welcome new members as well as new volunteers. Please let us know if you would like to help out at any of our upcoming fundraisers.



FALL BOOK AND BAKE SALE Saturday, November 6th, 10 - 2.

Book, DVD, video tape and CD donations are being accepted now, and throughout the year. We ask that your donations be in good to excellent condition. Unfortunately, we cannot accept Readers' Digest, textbooks or magazines.

Stop by the Pembroke Public Library's meeting room on **Saturday, November 6th** for the Friends Fall Book and Bake Sale. The sale runs from 10 AM until 2 PM.

You can pick up some great reads for little money. Hardcover books, DVDs, CDs and video tapes are \$1.00 each, paperbacks are \$.50 and children's books are only \$.25 each! Many wonderful baked goods are also offered for sale, donated by a dedicated and talented group of bakers. So come early for the best selections.

Can't make it to the big sale? There is an on going used book sale at the kiosk in the front of the library. Stop by and check it out.



THE TENTH ANNUAL GIFT BASKETS RAFFLE AT THE LIBRARY

The Friends are looking for donations for the tenth annual Gift Baskets Raffle. Our gift baskets take many shapes and sizes, and appeal to all ages and genders. You can donate an item or a service. Consider a basket donation with a theme, such as cooking, reading, gardening, or whatever. We've had baskets donated with handmade items such as knitting, jewelry, quilting, art work, or photography. The more creative the better!

Some "baskets" are simply a gift certificate to a local business or restaurant. Help with soliciting our local businesses would be greatly appreciated.

You can drop off your gift basket donations beginning October 1st. The basket raffle starts on October 16th. The raffle drawings take place the afternoon of November 6th, also the date of the Book and Bake Sale. You do not need to be present to win, and you can purchase raffle tickets up until the drawing at the front desk of the library. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

The Friends of the Pembroke Library is a registered 501c3 organization, so your donations are tax deductible.

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Friends of Pembroke Library News - *friend to friend*



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK GROUP

The Friends of the Pembroke Library November book selection is *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein. Join us for our book group discussion on November 9th

at 7 PM at the Pembroke Public Library.

The January selection is *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave.

TRIVIA NIGHT

The Friends are planning a Trivia Night fundraiser on **February 5, 2011** at the Pembroke Knights of Columbus. We are looking for help with some of our committees and planning. Please contact Carol Watches at 781-829-9158 if you are interested in helping with this new fundraiser.

Who are the Friends and what do they do?

The Friends

- *Create public awareness of the role of the library in the community*
- *Provide financial support beyond the library's budget limits*
- *Encourage gifts and endowments to the library*
- *Gain support for library improvement*