TILTON LIBRARY

NEWSLETTER

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Meet Your Librarian - 2nd in a series

Name: Julie Cavacco

Position: Children's Librarian

Hometown: Winchester, MA, but after 25 years I

consider Deerfield my hometown.

Family: Husband Jack, daughter Katie, son Andy,

and two cats: KeiKat and Feather

How/why did you become a children's

librarian? I got a degree in Theater at UMass and then spent many years working with the public in a box office and at a variety of other jobs. Then, after working with children, I realized that I wanted to be a Children's Librarian "when I grew up." A part-time job opened up in the Children's Room here soon after that, and within a few months the Children's Librarian, Mary Currie, decided to retire. I was sad to see her go, but very happy to be chosen for my dream job. The jury is out on whether I've really grown up yet!

How do you provide so many more children's programs than most libraries of our size with a limited program budget? I have a creative mind, a willingness to try new things, and a variety of experience (see theater degree).

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Friday, Sundays CLOSED

<u>Celebrate Sugarloaf! – Ode to Wequamps</u>

We're honoring our favorite mountain beginning October 18th through the end of November. If you have a painting, photo or other rendition of the view from or of Mount Sugarloaf or inspired by "The Mountain", please bring it to the library beginning October 2nd for display during the program period. Open to all ages.

- Thursday, October 28th, geologist Richard Little will present *The Geology of Mount Sugarloaf:* Dinosaurs, Dunes and Drifting Continents at 6:30 pm in Deerfield Town Hall on Conway Street.
- Monday, November 1st, dog trainer Elise McMahon and Ch. Saji Bailywick Tintagel's Pride, RN, CGC, HIC (call name Tai) will present *A-Z Hiking with Your Dog* at 6:30 at the library.
- Bake your favorite loaf and bring it in for a community tasting quick bread, sandwich bread, meatloaf, Jiffy Mix, we want it all for *Loaf at the Library* Monday November 8th at 6:30 at the library. Fitness challenges and your Sugarloaf stories will also be featured. All events are free and open to the public. Contact the library for more information or to volunteer to help with programs.

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting – Friend Your Library

The Friends of Tilton Library will hold their annual meeting on Monday, October 4th at the library. Join us for pie at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m. Agenda items include election of officers and planning for the next year. Come meet your friends and share in the fun. If you aren't a member already, come for pie and learn more about the group. The Friends provide the library with yearly passes to area museums, support Monday Night Music, summer reading programs and other library initiatives. We are only able to do this through active participation of our members. If you are looking for a way to support your library, this is it!

Hobbies/Interests: cooking, paper making, wool handcrafts and volunteering for the schools.

Favorite book as a child: Now We Are Six by A.A. Milne. I remember being so proud that I could read it by myself when I was six.

Literary character you would most like to meet: Amelia Bedelia

What's on your nightstand?

Artemis Fowl (a children's book with adult appeal)

Last book you couldn't put down: Case Histories by Kate Atkinson

If you weren't a librarian, what would you be: TV cook like Julia Child

Something about you that might surprise Tilton patrons: I wanted to be a hermit when I was younger. Guilty pleasure: Movies at the theater

What have you instituted at Tilton that you are most proud of? Monday Night Music

What advice do you have for parents to get their children interested in reading? I think parents should model reading in front of their children and have a variety of books around the house to read to them, or have available for them to read to themselves (that's where a public library is advantageous.) For the parents who have reluctant readers, a required daily book time will eventually get them hooked

Summer Reading 2010 Recap Reading! Recreation! Refreshments!

This year we distributed over 700 refreshing treats to readers of all ages during the 42 days of SRP. Participants kept up with their favorite titles by selecting their own books and reading material and then talking or writing about what they read at each library visit.

A Monday Night Thank You

Thanks to all of the participants at this year's Monday Night Music. We are especially grateful to performers who contributed their time and talent to this wonderful program. See you next summer!

Story Time Every Wednesday

Join friends and neighbors every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. for a story and related activity. This is an excellent opportunity for children to become familiar with a group activity while a parent or caregiver is nearby and for parents and caregivers to meet one another. No sign up needed – all children 0-5 (and their caregivers) are welcome.

Reading Connections

The Happiness Project by Gretchen Rubin tells about the author's year in pursuit of happiness. Filled with advice and profound observations, this book may change some lives. During the month of August, Rubin read what she terms, "memoirs of catastrophe." Rather than being incredibly depressing, the author found them to be uplifting. She found herself "with a greatly heightened appreciation for ordinary existence".

The following titles (and more) are on display at the library:

Brother I'm Dying by Edwidge Danticat. Rife with historical drama and familial tragedy

Here If You Need Me by Kate Braestrup. A remarkable journey from grief to faith to happiness

About Alice by Calvin Trillin. A gift for the wife he adored and for readers

Truth and Beauty by Ann Patchett. The quintessential story of friendship

My Stroke of Insight by Jill Bolte Taylor, Ph.D. A massive brain stroke proves to be a blessing and a revelation

Other memorable memoirs:

A Primate's Memoir by Robert M. Sapolsky. A hilarious and poignant account of the author's life among baboons in Kenya

Pack of Two by Caroline Knapp. Illustrates the power of a dog's unconditional love to reflect and transform a human life

Book Discussion @ Your Library

September 16th 6:30 p.m. A Reliable Wife by Robert Goolrick. A haunting story of love and madness, passion and murder

October 21st 6:30 p.m. *Let the Great World Spin* by Colum McCann. A rich vision of the pain, loveliness, mystery, and promise of New York City in the 1970s

November 18th 6:30 p.m. *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave. A psychologically charged story of grief, globalization and an unlikely friendship.

Reserve your copy at the desk or online. All interested adults are welcome. This group meets on the third Thursday of the month in the magazine area of the library.

Mystery Book Group

Mystery and suspense readers are invited to the Library on the **first Thursday of the month** at 6:30 p.m.to talk about series and their characters. We choose the monthly book at each meeting. Future meeting dates are Thursday, October 7th and Thursday, November 4th. This fun, informal group is open to all interested adults.