TILTON LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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Meet Your Library Trustee

Name: Nancy Maynard

Hometown: Delmar, NY. We've lived in South Deerfield since 1980.

Family? Husband Gary is retired, but was the Band Director at Eaglebrook School for over 40 years. I have two daughters: Sara is married to YongYong Ji, and they have a 6 month old son, Kai. I gave him *Owl Moon* for his first Christmas. Emily, my youngest daughter works in New York City, and my stepson Jason lives in Boston with his wife Jennifer.

Pets: A 12 year old Lhasa Apso named Gus.

Work: Co-Interim Executive Director at Highland Valley Elder Services since 1997.

What you do at Tilton: Chair of Tilton Library Board of Trustees and Tilton Fund, Inc.

Hobbies/Interests? I am a quilter and had an exhibit at the library several years ago. My husband and I enjoying biking and being at the ocean.

Favorite book as a child: *Blueberries for Sal*, given to me by a great aunt who was a librarian.

Favorite book(s) as adult (nonfiction or fiction): Favorite adult book is hard to say, I love finding new authors, and read everything they have written, and then wait anxiously for their next book. (continued)

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	1:00 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 & Holidays	CLOSED

Author Visit

Join us on Monday, May 19th at 6:30 to welcome Deerfield author, James L. Cambias. Jim's debut novel, *A Darkling Sea*, was published by Tor this spring to much acclaim. Copies of the book are available for loan at the adult circulation desk or reserve your copy online. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of Tilton Library.

Friends Book Sale

This year, the Friends of Tilton book sale will be held on May 16th and 17th at Deerfield Town Hall, 8 Conway Street, South Deerfield Village. Members of the Friends shop on Friday, May 16th from 5-7 (memberships available at the door) and the sale continues for all on Saturday, May 17th from 9-3. There is still time to donate your like-new books to the sale. Donation guidelines are available on the library website (tiltonlibrary.org), and at Tilton Library. For more information call the library at 413-665-4683.

Summer Reading, Summer Fun

"Fizz, Boom, Pop" into Tilton and find a good book to read this summer. Our annual summer reading program kicks off on Monday, June 16th with a hotdog cookout and Monday Night Music. Reading incentives and challenges start June 21st and continue until August 9th. We'll host six music performances and two family movie nights every Monday night through August 11th.

Museum Passes

Every year, the Friends of Tilton Library purchase passes available to library card holders for free or reduced admission to Children's Museum at Holyoke, The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, MassMoCA, Norman Rockwell Musuem, Smith College Museum of Art, Springfield Museums and Brattleboro Museum of Art. Deerfield residents may also borrow passes for free admission to Magic Wings Butterfly Conservatory and Historic Deerfield. Passes circulate for three days.

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Favorite author(s): Patricia Cornwell series, Chris Bohjalian, Anna Quindlen, Barbara Kingsolver What's on your bedside table now (as in what are you reading now): Right now, I have the book group title, *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert and also *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Guilty pleasure: I listen to audio books (and I love listening to great readers!) as I never seem to have enough time to sit and read.

What has your experience at Tilton been like over the years? My husband and I have I have been using the library since we moved here in 1980. When my children were in grade school, the library for the grammar school was in the current children's room. Bette Schmitt, (the current elementary school librarian and Tilton Library trustee) was the librarian and I volunteered to assist with check out. I also attend the Tilton book group, where I love discovering literature that I might not have selected. It is fun to discuss plots, characters and books with others.

How has your experience on the Board of Trustees been so far? I was thrilled when I was asked to join the Board of Trustees in 1999; the library is a wonderful town focal point and resource. Sara has done a fabulous job bringing new activities and resources to the library. I am so pleased that she has expanded the audio books and started a successful book group. I became chair of the Board of Trustees in 2008 and have enjoyed working to promote library activities and working on long range plans so that the library continues to be an important resource to the Town of Deerfield.

What have you instituted since coming to Tilton that you are most proud of? I love the front steps and it is wonderful that we were able to complete the work on them with the CPA monies so they can safely be used. //MMM

Reading Connections

This Spring's Best Bets - a Kirkus Review list: *Family Life* by Akhil Sharma – A moving story of displacement and of the inevitable adjustments one must make when life circumstances change.

Frog Music by Emma Donaghue - More fine work from one of popular fiction's most talented practitioners.

To Rise Again at a Decent Hour by Joshua Ferris Ferris is back on track here. Smart, sad, hilarious and eloquent, this shows a writer at the top of his game and surpassing the promise of his celebrated debut. *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr Doerr captures the sights and sounds of wartime and focuses, refreshingly, on the innate goodness of his major characters.

The Possibilities by Kaui Hart Hemmings Emotionally complex and relatable to all, it will be particularly understandable to those who've experienced the inexplicable, devastating loss of a loved one.

Lovers at the Chameleon Club, Paris 1932 by Francine Prose

Brilliant and dazzling Prose.

The Divorce Papers by Susan Reiger

Extremely clever, especially the legal infighting; this book should prove hugely popular with the legal set as well as anyone who has ever witnessed a divorce in process.

Redeployment by Phil Klay

A no-nonsense and informed reckoning with combat. *Boy, Snow, Bird* by Helen Oyeyemi

Readers who found British author Oyeyemi's *Mr. Fox* (2011) an intellectual tour de force, but emotionally chilly, will be won over by this riveting, brilliant and emotionally rich retelling of "Snow White" set in 1950s New England.

Third Thursday Book Group

Join us on the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the library. Books are available at the desk or can be reserved online.

April 17th: *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert

May 15th: *The Lowland* by Jhumpa Lahiri -June 19th: *A Long, Long Time Ago and Essentially True* by Brigid Pasulka

Mystery Book Group

Mystery and suspense readers are invited to the library on the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Join us for a lively discussion of the book and other of life's mysteries May 1st: *Love You More* by Lisa Gardner June 5th: *Case Histories* by Kate Atkinson July 3rd: *Snow White Must Die* by Nele Neuhaus August 7th: *Burial Rites* by Hannah Kent

Classics Quarterly

Classics Quarterly meets four times a year as near to the dates of the equinoxes and solstices as practical. On Monday, June 16th we will discuss *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. Reserve your copy of the book online or at the adult circulation desk.