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ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

By Catherine Redden, Director

Welcome to Fall! The leaves are falling and so should the old roof slates on the original 1910 part of the library. Part of the warrant article passed for the maintenance of the library is replacement of that old roof and surrounding gutters and repairs to the newer section's roof.

To the left of the building, as you face it from the Winnacunnet Road, there is an emergency exit from the Dorothy Little Room under the original building. Thanks to Eagle Scout Dan Pierson, that emergency exit has been cleaned out, roofed properly, and painted. What an incredible job that young man organized and directed and participated in!



ADULT SERVICES

By Jeanne Gamage

As of Oct. 1, New Movies DVD's and VHS are now available to patrons for **TWO NIGHTS**, rather than one night. There will be a limit of 2 New Movies per patron card, with a \$1.00 per night per item late charge.

Patrons may borrow books, audio books, classic and family Movies (videos/ DVD's), and circulating periodicals for **THREE WEEKS**, with one renewal, starting Oct. 1.

In November, patrons will be able to reserve and renew items from their own computers on-line. Each patron will first create their own PIN number to be used in conjunction with their library card. Then they will be able to access their own circulation record and renew items, reserve items that are currently out, or request items that are in the library from the comfort of their home or office. Stay tuned!



CHILDREN'S SERVICES

By Cindy Stosse

Some of our new books for fall are:

Shivaree by Rick Agran

The Thanksgiving Door by Debby Atwell

A Cold Snap! Frosty Poems

by Audrey B. Baird

I Am Too Absolutely Small for School

by Lauren Child

Coconut Comes to School

by Berlie Doherty

Hello, Harvest Moon by Ralph Fletcher

Twilight Comes Twice by Ralph Fletcher

A Chill in the Air by John Frank

Red Are the Apples by Marc Harshman
& Cheryl Ryan

Giving Thanks by Jonathan London

First Snow by Emily Arnold McCully

A Pocket Full of Kisses by Audrey Penn

The Graves Family by Patricia Polacco

I Like Pumpkins by Jerry Smath

Fall is for Friends by Suzy Spafford



REFERENCE SERVICES

By Marija Sanderling

We all want to be comfortable in our retirement years, and there's no time like right now to think about an income after our working years are behind us. One of our newest books on the subject has the intriguing title, *Retire on Less Than You Think: The New York Times Guide to Planning Your Financial Future*, by Fred Brock. Brock offers indispensable tools for analyzing your true costs of retirement, independent of the mutual-fund industry hype and Social Security scares. A substantial list of national, regional, and online resources, including worksheets, allow you to customize and realize your retirement plan.

Here are some handy websites to help you get started in investing, track investments, and learn about socially responsible investing.

<http://www.BigCharts.com>

Very customizable. Includes historical stock prices - even for discontinued issues - dating back to 1985.

<http://www.dailystocks.com> This is a massive site for financial and corporate information of all kinds. In addition to US stock prices, it covers Mutual Funds and Canadian stocks. Lots of links to corporate financial activity and news feeds as well. If it has a drawback it's that it's a bit overwhelming

<http://www.fool.com> The Motley Fool - Don't be deceived by the silly name. This is an excellent investment-information site.



TECHNICAL SERVICES

By Bill Teschek

If you are a frequent visitor to the library's website (www.hampton.lib.nh.us) you may have noticed that our home page has a new look. Over 4000 web pages and over 6000 photographs offer up loads of information on the Hampton area and its history. Our new home page helps to highlight many of the different things that are available. The left side of the page presents links to information about the library and our services, our online catalog, and library news. The middle column presents links to help you find information on the Internet, as well as some lifelong learning information for the Seacoast area. To the right are links to Hampton history and genealogy, as well as other information on our local area. Also be sure to check out our newly revised kids pages. We've jazzed it up to make it more kid-friendly and added lots of links to help kids with their homework or just to have fun. There are also links that will interest parents.

Over the past few months we have been upgrading our public Internet stations with new computers, so now your web browsing will be even faster. We offer thirteen computers with full high-speed Internet access, Microsoft Office software and CD-RW burners. Another six computers have restricted access to the library's website, catalog and assorted research databases. Our newest addition is a computer in the library's New Hampshire Room. Researchers will be able to use the computer for their genealogical research, as we offer free online access to Ancestry, HeritageQuest and NewEnglandAncestors.com on all of our public computers.