



# CHILDREN'S NEWS

## April in the Children's Room

No fooling! There is someone new in the Children's Room! Please help us welcome our new children's librarian, Marybeth Varney. She has arrived just in time for loads of special April events and festivities.

In celebration of National Library Week, the Friends of Lane Memorial Library are sponsoring a sale of "gently read" children's books. This is a great opportunity to stock up on children's books for home. The sale will be open to the public on Friday afternoon, April 7, from 2:30 to 4:30, and again on Saturday, April 8, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

During National Library Week, Lane Library also invites Hampton students in grades 4-12 to participate in voting for three annual choice awards. Students in 4th, 5th, and 6th grades get to choose their favorite of the books nominated for the Great Stone Face award. 7th and 8th graders will declare their top choice for the Isinglass Teen Read award. And High School students vote for the first recipient of the new Flume award. Ballots for all three awards are available in the Children's Room. See Cheryl to learn more. Remember: one vote per person, so if you are already voting at school or elsewhere, please do not cast a second ballot.

Spring story times will continue through April 20th. As always, please call or stop by to register: 926-4729. The schedule remains as follows:

Toddlers, 15-36 months:  
Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 9:30 AM.

3 year olds: Wednesdays at 10:30 AM.

4-5 year olds: Thursdays at 10:30 AM.

Also, the book group for 3rd and 4th graders meets to share books every other Wednesday at 4:00 PM. Next meeting: April 12.

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### Special points of interest:

- ☉ Meet Marybeth
- ☉ National Library Week
- ☉ National Poetry Month
- ☉ Friends' Book Sale
- ☉ Great Stone Face, Isinglass, and Flume Voting
- ☉ Story Times

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**CELEBRATE  
NATIONAL  
LIBRARY WEEK  
AT LANE LIBRARY!**

**APRIL 3-8, 2006**



Did you know?

April 2, 2006 is Lane Memorial Library's 125th birthday!

Stop by during the first week of April and wish the library a happy birthday as we celebrate the occasion with all sorts of special activities.

See the April issue of *Lane Library Lines* or check out the library blog for details.

<http://www.hampton.lib.nh.us>

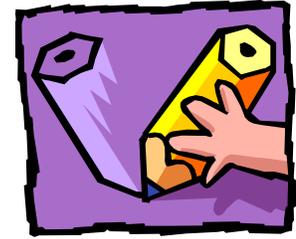
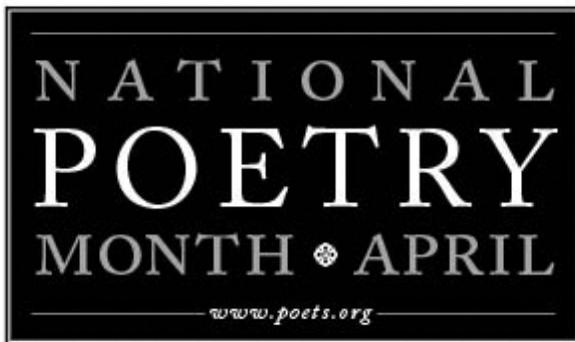
## April is National Poetry Month

The month of April brings us two great opportunities to focus on the art of poetry—the month-long celebration of National Poetry Month and the week-long celebration of Young People's Poetry, April 10-16. Of course, we can always celebrate poetry and poets all year round, but sometimes it is nice to get an extra reminder. So, for the month of April, let's talk poetry. And read poetry. Perhaps even write poetry. Share your favorite poets and poems with your friends, family, and librarians. Revisit old friends and discover new ones. Explore rhythm

and rhyme; try out different poetic forms; and play with language. Have fun! Long poems, short poems, even entire books written in verse—browse the 811 area of our nonfiction collection and see what you might find. To get you started, here is a very small sampling of our favorite poets:

Emily Dickinson  
Robert Frost  
Jack Prelutsky  
Shel Silverstein  
Robert Louis Stevenson

Plus so many, many more.



Did you know?

April 12, 2006 is Beverly Cleary's 90th birthday! In honor of this celebrated children's author, people all over the country will participate in D.E.A.R. Day. What is D.E.A.R.? Quite simply, it means "drop everything and read." I know I'm looking forward to curling up with a good book or two that day. How about you?



## 6th Grade (and Up) Corner

Mark your calendars: The first ever **Lane Library Early Release Day Movie** will be on Wednesday, April 19, 2006. Show time: 12:30 PM. Come see Tim Burton's *Corpse Bride* (PG). Bring your lunch; we'll provide the popcorn. And the movie, of course. Permission slips available in the Children's Room.

Remember: The **Homework Help Desk** is open on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30. When you have questions, the homework helper can help you find the answers.

The **Teen Advisory Board** is scheduled to meet on Monday, April 10th at 3:00 PM. TAB members, if you haven't already done so, please return your completed questionnaires to Cheryl as soon as possible. Thanks!

The **Middle School Book Group**, grades 5-8, meets every other Monday at 3:00 PM. Next meeting date is April 17.

There's still time to submit a story for the next issue of *Zoom into Chompas*, Lane Library's teen literary

magazine. We welcome stories, poems, reviews, and just about anything written by students in grades 6-12. All submissions are due by April 15.

Talk to Cheryl for information about these and other programs for teens and tweens: 926-4729.

