

## Brownell Library ~ September 2010 ~ Calendar of Events

Library Closed for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6: Saturday Hours 9am-5pm resume after Labor Day  
Library Closed for Staff Training, Monday, Sept. 27, 9am-9pm & Thursday, September 30, 9am-1pm

Vermont Reads 2010: *Day of the Pelican* by Katherine Paterson. Borrow a copy and start reading NOW to prepare for Wed., Sept. 29 Dine & Discuss! Readers of All Ages Welcome. Copies available at library.

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### ADULT (Mostly) EVENTS

Wed. Sept 8, 4pm – Essex Civil War Veterans committee meeting – Staff room – Interested? Join us.

Fri., Sept. 10, 6:30pm – **Movie Night: “God Grew Tired of Us”** – Four boys from Sudan embark on a journey to America after years of wandering Sub-Saharan Africa in search of safety. (PG, 89 min.)

Mon., Sept. 13, 7:30-9pm – Vermont Astronomical Society – French Astronomer **Charles Messier 1730-1817 & His Mysterious Objects** presented by Al Boudreau--fascinating life and times of Messier, his beginnings as comet hunter, his telescopes and outlines the Messier List of 110 Objects. Introduces his competitors, collaborators, and the controversy over M101 & M102. All Levels welcome.

Wed. Sept 15, 7pm – **International Tamburica Orchestra** – Joan Bamberger will introduce you to her Croatian ancestors’ band. Hear the music they played, learn a bit of spoken Croatian and see the Tamburica (stringed instrument) played. Part of the Vermont Reads 2010 program. Bamberger’s family immigrated to America in the 1920s and 30s. See family history in Glass Case.

Thurs. Sept 16, 3pm – **Preview Screening of Ken Burns and Lynn Novick’s new documentary, *The Tenth Inning*** – 32 minutes of the new two-episode, four-hour program which will be aired on VPT 9/28 & 29 8pm. This will bring the landmark series up to date. Begins with 1994’s crippling strike to a period of unprecedented popularity.

Sat. Sept 18, 10am – **Old Village Cemetery Walk starting at Main St. Gate.** Members of the Essex Community Historical Society lead a tour through the history of Essex, using the lives of people buried here to discuss our past... from the Revolution to modern times. Hear wonderful stories hidden in the cemetery - encourage anyone with relatives/ancestors buried here to attend. Learn about war heroes, pioneer families, college presidents, prominent business owners, indomitable women, and others.

Tues., Sept. 21, 7pm – **Library Trustees Meeting**

Wed. Sept. 22, 7pm – **“A Parallel World”** – Award-winning filmmaker and Essex resident **Mira Niagolova** presents her film which explores the plight of refugees in a Kosovar camp, like the one where the young heroine in *The Day of the Pelican* stayed with her family. Niagolova’s current work-in-progress **“Welcome to Vermont!”** opens doors to homes of new Vermonters and shares their stories with the hope that the people who were born here will learn more about their lives and find similarities above all differences. **Special guests will be some of the primary individuals featured in the film.** See [www.miraniagolova.com](http://www.miraniagolova.com)

Wed. Sept. 29, 6-8pm – **Dine and Discuss – *Day of the Pelican* by Katherine Paterson for readers of all ages.** Bring a potluck dish to share from your immigrant ancestor’s cuisine; library provides dinnerware, water and decaf. A seven minute showing of part of **“A Parallel World”** with filmmaker Mira Niagolova will add to the understanding of refugee children. **Books provided by Vermont Humanities Council, which also presents author Katherine Paterson at St. Michael’s College on Thurs., Oct. 7 at 3:30pm.**

### YOUTH EVENTS

Registrations begin Wed., Sept. 1st for Fall Story Times! Story Times are offered on a weekly basis – regular attendance is encouraged. New this year: Adults are encouraged to join us at all Story Times. We will share early literacy tips that you can use with your kids at home. Space is limited in each group, to avoid overcrowding.

**Here’s the schedule which STARTS OCTOBER 7 & 8:**

**Tuesday Story Time for Toddlers (18-36 months)** – 9:10-9:30am – Picture books, songs, rhymes & puppets for toddlers with an adult.

**Tuesday Story Time for 3-5 Year Olds** – 10-10:45am – Picture books, songs, rhymes, puppets & math activities for preschoolers.

**Wednesday Story Time for 3-5 Year Olds** – 10-10:45am – Repeat of Tuesday program.

Fri., Sept. 3 & 17, 10-10:45am – **Songs and Stories with Matthew** — Matthew Witten performs songs about our world and tells adventurous tales. For all ages - no registration. Funded by the Friends of Brownell Library.

Fri., Sept. 3, 6:30-8:30pm – **Teen Movie: “Labyrinth”** – 15-year-old Sarah (Jennifer Connolly) accidentally wishes her baby half-brother, Toby, away to the Goblin King Jareth (David Bowie) who will keep Toby if Sarah does not complete his Labyrinth in 13 hours. Free popcorn and soda. (PG, 101mins)

Mon., Sept. 7, 3-4:30pm – **Teen Advisory Board** – For teens, by teens. Plan programs you’d like to see, suggest books and DVDs you would like in the collection, have fun, bring friends. Snacks provided! New members always welcome. Gr. 9-12.

Thur., Sept. 9, 3:30-4:40pm – **MPH (Middle School Planners and Helpers)** – Students in Gr. 6-8 come and help re-design the YA room, help out with cool projects, and talk about what’s on your minds! Snacks too!

Fri., Sept. 10 & 24, 10-10:45am – **Drop-In Story Time for Kids of All Ages** – Babies, Toddlers and Preschoolers are welcome to come listen to Picture Book Stories and have fun with Finger Plays and Action Rhymes. No registration required.

Fri., Sept. 17, 6:30-8:00pm – **Family Movie: “Mulan”** – To save her father from death in the army, a Chinese maiden secretly goes in his place and becomes one of China’s greatest heroes in the process. Free popcorn and soda. (G, 88mins)

Thurs., Sept. 30, 3-4:30pm – **High School Book Lust Club** — Chat with Kat about books you lust after and books you loathe. All high schoolers welcome. Snacks provided.