Good Afternoon Whitefield Public Library Friends,

Congratulations to the winner of the **QUILT RAFFLE**, Toni, who was very excited to hear the news that she is the new owner of the lovely hand-sewn quilt donated by Melon Sanders. Thank you so much to all who purchased tickets, with a special Thank You to our highest donor, Mr. Jack Rode.

December has been a little quieter at the library, with the end of our Seniors Moving More and Eating Well and a pause for the home school science program. We still had children in for story hour and our After School Christmas Around the World program. We finished up the structured Lego program and are now moving back to open play Legos. We had some wonderfully informative Saturday programs for adults on Dementia with Mary Bates.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP Interest Survey - We are exploring interest in a support group for the caregivers of individuals experiencing memory loss and *potentially a simultaneous program for the individuals experiencing memory loss. If this would be of interest to you, please fill out this survey: https://forms.gle/dYfvrxo98eokTV4X8. And please pass it on to anyone you know of who may be interested! * Dependent on personnel to run this program

PROGRAMS

ART With Friends for ages 3-6

Thursday, December 28th 10:30-11:30 AM Registration Required: <u>https://forms.gle/HA62HKcL2H1DVEeS9</u> Join us for an hour of art exploration. Art materials will be a

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CREATE With Friends for ages 7-12

Saturday, December 9th 1:30-2:30 PM Open to all Registration Required: <u>https://forms.gle/ekUJzG89YDweyJ8x8</u>

Join us for an hour of art exploration. Art materials will be available for artists to create their own artistic creations. They will design and assemble their own collages or 3D art creations using hot glue.

SHADOW PUPPETS (After School Program)

Tuesdays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, & February 6 (6 week session) 3:00-4:00 PM Open to ages 7-12 Registration Required: https://forms.gle/EXpGvAjkQtW7m1ob9

Participants will work individually or collaboratively to write a script (of their own making, or based on a story of their choice), design and create shadow puppets for each character, rehearse, and then perform for family and friends. Please be mindful of your child's interests and abilities. We will be using sharp tools, which require strong fine motor skills or an adult helper (a liability waiver will be required). If your child will need assistance, your presence may be needed.

SCIENCE FUN (After School Program)

Thursdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1, & 8 (6 week session) 3:00-4:00 PM Open to ages 4-10 Registration Required: <u>https://forms.gle/XSqizA39T2rzAdkq7</u> *Is your child interested in science processes and fun, messy, experiments? Come explore density, eggs, slime, weight & balance, electrical circuits, and air pressure.*

RETIREMENT PLANNING FOR ALL AGES With Charles Larcomb & Tony Ilacqua from Bank of NH

Saturday, January 6th 1:30-3:00 PM Open to all

RSVP preferred, but not required: <u>https://forms.gle/5nwvN3D4VhFeH9sa7</u>

We will explore the basics of retirement planning. What is retirement planning? What are your retirement goals? When should you start? What are your options? What strategies should you consider and how will they change?

ANDREW CARNEGIE and his LIBRARIES - Their Enduring Gift to Society With Suzy Colt

Saturday, January 13th 1:30-3:00 PM Open to all RSVP preferred, but not required: <u>https://forms.gle/Bz6Tx1Z2AYFaxeUs9</u>

Suzy Colt will share her research about the multifaceted and controversial character of the man behind the libraries and give a photographic tour of the 8 Carnegie Libraries in New Hampshire.

MEDICARE Information Session

presented by State Farm Insurance

Thursday, January 18th

10:30-11:30 AM

Open to all

Are you or a loved one turning 65? Do you have questions about Medicare, open enrollment, or supplement plans? This program is an overview of Medicare and the various aspects. The presenting agent will answer any questions you have and provide guidance to assist you in selecting what best fits your needs and how to navigate the process.

REGULAR WEEKLY PROGRAMS FOR DROP-IN

Story and Activity Hour

Tuesdays only through December 19 NO Story hour December 26th Resumes Thursday, December 29th Returns to Tuesdays & Thursdays beginning in January MAY SHIFT TO 10-11 AM depending on community preference

9-10 AM Preschool & Kindergarten age children & their caregivers Program Room Join us for some stories and activities, which may include games, songs, and/or arts & crafts.

Infant & Toddler Open Play

Wednesdays & Saturdays 9-11 AM Infants & Toddlers and their caregivers Program Room (or children's book room if another event has been scheduled) Come visit the library with your little ones. Find and read some stories, play with some new toys, and connect with other families.

Open Play LEGOS

Thursdays 3-4 PM Ages 3+

DUPLOS and LEGOS will be available for OPEN PLAY in the Children's Book Room. * Parents are responsible for supervising children during OPEN PLAY Legos.

Knitting & Crocheting Group

Fridays (beginning October 6 - may be intermittent, so call ahead 837-2030) 1:30-3:30 Front Reading Room

Teens & Adults

Are you a seasoned handicrafts person? Are you wanting to learn? Do you have a project in the works or something you have dreamed of creating? Adults & Teens of all skill levels are welcome to join others while you knit, crochet, needlepoint, sew, etc. Please call first in case a session has been cancelled if you are planning to join for the first time – (603) 837-2030.

Writing Group

Thursdays (intermittent)

10-11 AM

If you are interested in joining the writer's group, please email Lyn at whitefieldpubliclibrary2@gmail.com. The writers meet intermittently, so it is best to check in before showing up.

Check us out on our website at <u>https://whitefieldpubliclibrary.org/</u> and on Facebook! We hope to see you at Whitefield Public Library!

Cheers,

Lyn