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South Hadley Public Library News—**March 2011**

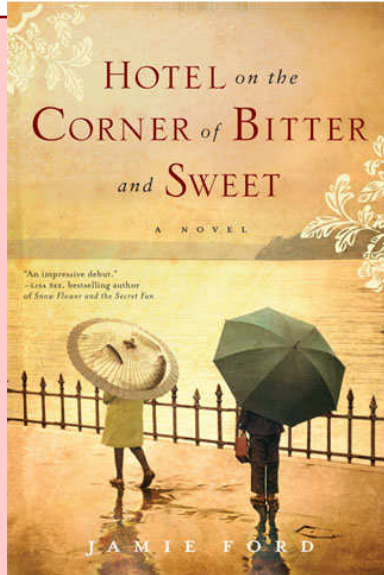
South Hadley Reads— A Community Event

March brings to us *South Hadley Reads*, our ninth annual community-wide reading project of public speakers, film showings, and discussions revolving around a single title. Our community partners include the Odyssey Bookshop, Gaylord Memorial Library, and Council on Aging. For 2011, we have an inspirational book with plenty of history and memories.

Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet is about a young Chinese boy who befriends a Japanese girl during World War II in Seattle. He must come to terms with his friend being forcibly removed to the internment camps set up in the West. Later, as an adult, he finds inspiration in finding his long lost friend and brings his son along for the journey of learning about himself and his friendship.

Copies of the book are available at our library and also at the Senior Center, Gaylord Library, and for purchase at the Odyssey bookstore.

Read the book. Read half the book. Just attend the events. All are welcome.



Calendar of Events @SHPL:

Wednesday, March 9, 6:00 pm
History of Westover During World War II: Presentation by Master Sergeant Biscoe from Westover Air Reserve Base

Monday, March 21, 6:00 pm
Japan and China in the 20th Century: Historical Background of Jamie Ford's Novel: Lecture by Jonathan Lipman, Professor of Asian Studies

Wednesday, March 23, 6:30 pm
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet: Group discussion of the book

Thursday, March 24, 10:30 am
Preschool Story Time: Children's books about the Japanese Internment, and the Pacific.

Saturday, March 26, 10:00 am
Meet Miss Martha: A Burma, China, India Nurse from World War II: Re-enactor Martha Smith explains life on the frontlines in the Pacific Theatre; All ages welcome

Monday, March 28, 6:00 pm
Ned Noel: The War in the Pacific: My Experiences
Ted Belsky: South Hadley Oral Histories On the Home Front during WWII

Stop by the library for the full calendar of events taking place here and at the Gaylord Library and Senior Center



Wowbrary—An exciting new way to enjoy the South Hadley Public Library

The South Hadley Public Library adds many new items each week. Now you can receive a free weekly email showcasing the latest arrivals at the library and use a simple quick mouse-click to reserve you own copy. To sign up for your free Wowbrary alerts, go to www.wowbrary.org and enter "01075" into the zip code box—it's an easy way to keep up with what's new!

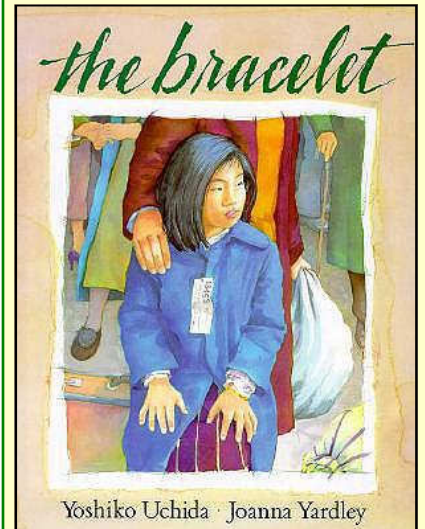


Cabin Fever Craft

Have you had it with the long winter??? Children are invited to our Cabin Fever craft workshop on **Wednesday, March 16th at 3:30** when they will be making SUNSHINE related crafts. Participants will be able to choose from several summer fun crafts. Kids can pre-register for the program by stopping in the Youth Room, at the Circulation Desk, or by calling the library.

SOUTH HADLEY READS STORY TIME

There will be a special story time in conjunction with *South Hadley Reads*. While the teens and adults in town will be reading *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* we will have several books with the same theme for children to relate to. Come hear these special stories on **Thursday morning, March 24th at 10:30**.



Our regular pre-school story time will be presented on the other **Thursdays in March at 10:30**. No need to pre-register – just come in and enjoy a half hour of new and exciting picture books.

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Student Edition database contains over 1100 sources and is designed for high-school students, providing them with access to a variety of full-text magazines, newspapers, podcasts, and reference books for information on topics most important to their curriculum including: current events, the arts, science, health, people, government, history, sports and more.

There is also a **Junior Edition** for middle school students and **Kids InfoBits** for beginning researchers in Kindergarten through Grade 5!



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All presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free lunch pack (sandwich, soda, & chips) at Cumberland Farms! Call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org to make an appointment today!