



The Library Lookout

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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6

Saturday, 10-2

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

Happy Holidays! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday time with friends and family. Nothing beats having the folks you care about around you this time of year.

Our Hannaford Karma Bag purchase program was a success. With every purchase of a blue karma bag at Hannaford's in December, the library received \$1. Thanks to all of you that showed your support to the library.

Our "Let's Talk About It" book club date in December was cancelled due to snow. The book we were going to discuss "From Here to Eternity" will be covered at our January meeting on January 9th. Our discussion of "A Tan and Sandy Silence" will be moved to February 13th.

The Greater Federation of Woman's Clubs and Semper Fidelis Club will be hosting a community event to help benefit the library. On Saturday, February 11th at 10am, the movie "Frozen" will be shown at Skowhegan own Strand Cinema. Tickets can be purchased at the library or Country Crow Primitives for only \$6 per person. Show your support for the library, and treat your family to a time of fun and laughter. See you there!

Work on the elevator tower is

proceeding nicely. Carpenters, Electricians, Roofers and Glass Workers are just about finished with the tower. Soon the installation of the elevator and components, and entry for each floor will commence. While we don't have a firm date for completion just yet, work will progress along as quickly as possible. As we learn more, we'll let you know.

Be on the lookout for a series of craft programs in January, February and March. These will be free and open to the public. GFWC Skowhegan Woman's Club will be sponsoring them and providing all of the materials. The January craft will be Card Embroidery. What a great way to beat the winter blues! Stop by and encourage your artistic bent by creating a one of a kind craft. Pre-registration is suggested so that an adequate supply of materials will be on hand. Please call the library or leave your name at the circulation desk.

The library will be closed January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

I'll leave you with this thought: "We are responsible for the world in which we find ourselves, if only because we are the only sentient force which can change it."

James Baldwin

Until next month,
Dale

CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

January always seems like the coldest, longest, darkest month of the year for me. We are all coming down off the holiday high and trying to start off the New Year right. One of my New Year's Resolutions is to read more. (It's an easy one to follow through on!) The library is a perfect way to help me do that without breaking my budget. I hope you add more reading to your daily routines in the New Year as well.

December was a busy month for us all here. We started the month with the Holiday Stroll where we marched in the parade and then had over 100 kids upstairs making an edible Christmas tree, collecting a free book, or listening to Canaan York read his story *The Christmas Tree*. Then the teens had another Regression Session where they celebrated the holidays with an Ugly Sweater contest and painting mugs. We also had a Christmas themed Family Story hour where kids came out to make ornaments and decorate cookies. Lots of holiday fun was shared.



Cassity and her edible Christmas craft.

January is typically a slow month for programs in the children's room as this is the time of year when patronage slows down and Miss Angie can get some projects done. We will have our regularly scheduled programs however. Storytime is every Wednesday at 10:15 and for Family Story Hour on January 16th we will be celebrating the Chinese New Year!



Loton makes an ornament for his Christmas tree

BECOME A FRIEND OF YOUR LIBRARY

The Friends of the Skowhegan Free Public Library, a not for profit group dedicated to supporting and improving the library for all members of the community, invite you to join us. Dues are \$10 for Individuals, \$8 for Seniors and Students, and \$15 for Families.

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Please complete this form and mail to: Skowhegan Free Public Library, 9 Elm Street, Skowhegan, Maine 04976

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Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Tel. # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Please check the activities you are willing to help with.

- Refreshments for library activities.
- Making phone calls.
- Helping with fundraising activities

**GFWC Skowhegan Woman's Club
Winter Craft Series**

A series of free craft projects will be presented by the GFWC Skowhegan Woman's Club this winter on the second and fourth Thursdays of January, February and March. Classes will be held at the Skowhegan Free Public Library on Elm Street from 10 AM until noon, and materials will be provided at no charge. All projects are designed to be completed in one two-hour session, and will be presented by the Club's Craft Chairman, Billie Sherman, and her committee. For more information call Mrs. Sherman at 474 5052.

Pre-registration for each class is suggested to ensure supply of adequate materials by calling the library at 474 9072.

Following is the schedule of projects:

- January 12: *Card Embroidery*
- January 26: *Making Vintage Valentine Cards* (using lace, stamp art, fold-out cards, etc.)
- February 9: *Jewelry Basics* (wire, beading, etc.)
- February 23: *Stained Glass Sailboats* (Enrollment for this class will be limited to 8 students)
- March 9: *Water Color Basics*
- March 23: *Crocheting Basics*

Come and join the fun!

"First Friday Sweet Treats!"

On the first Friday of each month, the Renovation Committee will be selling a different variety of homemade goodies at the library. All day long (while the supply lasts!) on January 6th there will be delicious chocolate chip cookies available for your purchase. All proceeds will go towards the elevator construction.

If you'd like to help with this event, please contact Jayne Hart at 474 9248 or 431 6246.

And watch for the next "First Friday Sweet Treats" on February 3 and March 3!

NEW BOOKS

FICTION

- Blake, James Carlos/ *The Pistoleer*
- Childs, Laura/ *Egg Drop Dead*
- Goodwin, Daisy/ *Victoria*
- Greaney, Mark/ *Tom Clancy True Faith and Allegiance*
- Higgins, Jack/ *The Midnight Bell*
- Johansen, Iris/ *Night Watch* (LP)
- King, Claire/ *Everything Love Is*
- Millar, Louise/ *City of Strangers*
- Oust, Gail/ *Curried Away*
- Palmer, Diana/ *Wyoming Brave*
- Patterson, James/ *Private: The Royals*
- Phoenix, Michele/ *Of Stillness and Storm*
- Rollins, James/ *The Seventh Plague*
- Treadway, Jessica/ *How Will I know You?*

NON-FICTION

- Aiken, Chris/ *Bipolar, Not So Much*
- Dalziel, Christine/ *The Beeswax Workshop*
- Horst, Eric J./ *The Rock Climber's Exercise Guide*
- Lambert, Carol A./ *Women with Controlling Partners*
- Mc Cartney, Cory/ *The Heisman Trophy*
- Rayma, Marie/ *Make It Up*



The Holiday Stroll Parade

THANK YOU! To Teens: Hudson, Emma, Taylor and Bella who volunteered to march in support of the library, and to hand out bookmarks to all the kids in the crowd.

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Library Staff

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Calendar of Events (Story Time every Wednesday, 10 AM)

JANUARY

Jan. 1 & 2 Library closed for New Years Holiday
Jan. 3 Library Trustee Meeting, 6 PM
Jan. 4 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30
Jan. 5 Transition Skowhegan discussion group, 6 PM
Jan. 6 "First Friday Sweet Treats", chocolate chip cookies for sale, 10 AM to 6 PM (or while the supply lasts!)
Jan. 9 Let's Talk About It book discussion group, 6 PM at the Margaret Chase Smith Library
Jan. 10 Lego Club Jr., 3:15 to 4:15
Jan. 10 Lego Club, 4:30 to 5:30
Jan. 12 Winter Craft Series: Card Embroidery, 10 to noon in the Conference Room
Jan. 14 Socrates Cafe discussion group, 11 to 1
Jan. 16 Library closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Jan. 17 Family Story Hour: Chinese New Year, 4:30 to 5:30
Jan. 26 Winter Craft Series: Making Vintage Valentine Cards, 10 to noon in the Conference Room

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30
Feb. 2 Transition Skowhegan, 6 PM
Feb. 3 "First Friday Sweet Treats", sugar cookies for Valentines, 10 AM to 6 PM (or while the supply lasts!)
Feb. 7 Library Trustee Meeting, 6 PM
Feb. 8 Renovation Committee Meeting, 4 PM
Feb. 9 Winter Craft Series: Jewelry Basics, 10 to noon in the Conference Room
Feb. 11 Community Event at the Strand Cinema, movie: "Frozen" Tickets: \$6. Proceeds to benefit the library's
Feb. 13 Let's Talk About It book discussion group, 6 PM at the Margaret Chase Smith Library
Feb. 17 Teen Regression Session, 6 to 8:30 (for high schoolers only) **Pre-registration is required**
Feb. 20 Library closed for President's Day
Feb. 21 Family Story Hour: Until the Cows Come Home, 4:30 to 5:30
Feb. 22 Knitting Workshop for Kids, 2:30 to 3:30 (for kids grades 4 and up) **Pre-registration is required**
Feb. 23 Winter Craft Series: Stained Glass Sailboats, 10 to noon in the Conference Room
Feb. 23 Lego Building Afternoon (4 years and older)