



The Library Lookout

May 2015

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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6

Sat. 10-2

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

Bang, Bang, Bang, Saw, Saw, Ouch! Well, maybe not ouch. But that's the sound of renovation progress at the library. Steve Dionne and his bunch are making great strides on the basement renovations. Sheet rock has gone up on all walls, mudding and painting is going on, and a general feeling of "it's really happening" is in the air. To see for yourselves what the work looks like, check out the renovation mini movie on our webpage.

We had a great time this month learning how to do decorative scroll saw artwork. Elsa Apte spent two hours telling us about what types of wood we could use, and also showed us different types of scroll saw techniques such as segmentation and fretwork. She also brought many of her projects for a "show and tell." Almost 20 folks were present.

The last Socrates Café Discussion Group meeting to be held in the library will be May 16th. The group continues to meet in the summer, but at one of the member's houses due to the library being closed on Saturdays in the summer. They'll resume meeting at the library the second Saturday in October.

We're looking for your donation of gently used items (please no electronics) for our annual Library Yard Sale, May 15th and 16th. Please bring the items to Hastings Barn (538 Malbons Mills Road) or leave them at the

library (if more than a box or two, please bring to Hastings Barn). All proceeds from the sale to benefit the library renovations. Don't miss this chance to relocate those items from your spring-cleaning.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness group (N.A.M.I.) will present a program called "Adult Mental Health First Aid." at the library on May 19th from 9am to 6pm. N.A.M.I. describes it as the following: "Mental Health First Aid is a national best-practice, evidenced-based certification course that is 8 hours in length and leads to a 3 year certification issued by the National Council on Behavioral Health. By design, it is intended to mirror the idea of regular first aid by empowering individuals with just enough information to respond and help guide someone with a mental health need to the right kind of help." This is a closed program available only to those who have pre-registered at N.A.M.I.'s website <http://www.namimaine.org/> before May 15th.

I'll leave you with this thought: "Happiness depends more on the inward disposition of mind than on outward circumstances." Benjamin Franklin
— Until Next Month - Dale



Basement Rooms becoming a reality!

CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

May is the last month for a couple of our regularly scheduled programs. Please note the programs that will be ending for the season:

- Toddler Time will have one more Monday morning session on May 11th at 10:30
- Tween the Pages will have their last meeting on May 6th at 4:00.
- Family Story Hour will have its last session on May 19th at 4:30.

These programs will pick back up in the fall when school starts again. We do this, so I can concentrate on the Summer Reading Program during the summer months. Storytime will run as normal throughout the entire summer. If you have any questions regarding these programs, please call.

Skowpendous was a ton of fun, as always. Even though it was bitterly cold and even spit snow for a while, it was nice to see the kids out and enjoying some activities. Our library table was a big hit and we were able to give away more than 150 gently used books. Thank you to KVCAP for organizing this event each spring in recognition of Childhood Abuse Prevention Month.

May 4 – 10th is Children's Book Week. We are having a Children's Book Party on Monday, May 4th at 4:30. We will have some cupcakes, play some book character bingo, listen to a story, and have a used book swap. We are asking that all who are interested bring in a gently used book to trade in for someone else's gently used book to take home. Leading up to this week where we will be celebrating children's books, there is an online poll where kids (and parents) can vote for their favorites! You can check it out at <http://ccbookawards.com/>. Winning books will be announced on May 4th.



Jorja Brown reads Miss Rumphius at our Earth Day celebration

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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Please check the activities you are willing to help with.

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

NEW BOOKS

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEW & RENEWED MEMBERS

Carol and Roger Jarvais
Bonnie and Dick Chamberlain
Mardi and Alex Pakulski
Oto Prokop and Petra Prokopova
Dina Jeannotte and Joe Scozzafava
Al and Cynthia Laiho
Mary Stuart
Marion Snyder
Hilma Millett
Lisa Veilleux
Kathy and Jeff Evans
Chet and Cindy Manuel
Joseph Quirion
Diane and Thomas Crowley
Corrilla and Jim Hastings

FOL NEWS

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Library will be held at the library on Wednesday, May 13 at 6:00. At that time we will vote on a slate of officers for the next two years, specifically secretary and treasurer. We invite all who would like to come. We will be serving light refreshments. Pat Dickey will speak on the Library Renovations - past, present and future.

The Library Lunch fundraiser went well again this year. On April 17, we made and delivered 280 bag lunches. Thank you to all who helped: the salespeople, the sandwich makers, the delivery drivers, the set-up people, the dessert makers, the Apple Farm, George's Market, Hannaford and, of course, all those who bought our lunches. A special thanks goes to the Tanners who, once again, generously allowed us the use of Tewksbury Hall.

Lots of work, lots of fun, but worth it for any help we can give our library.

Now we plan for the Golf Tournament that will be held on July 11, 2015, at Lakewood. Save the date, you golfers.

FICTION

Atherton, Nancy/ *Aunt Dimity and the Summer King*
Baldacci, David/ *Memory Man*
Beaton, M.C./ *Death of a Liar*
Berg, Elizabeth/ *The Dream Lover*
Block, Lawrence/ *The Burglar Who Counted the Spoons*
De los Santos, Marisa/ *The Precious One*
Gruen, Sara/ *At the Water Edge*
Iles, Greg/ *The Bone Tree*
Johansen, Iris/ *Your Next Breath*
Packer, Ann/ *The Children's Crusade*
Patterson, James/ *Miracle at Augusta*
Quick, Amanda/ *Garden of Lies*
Roberts, Nora/ *The Liar*
Ross, Ann B./ *Miss Julia Lays Down the Law*
Sandford, John/ *Gathering Prey*
Scottoline, Lisa/ *Every Fifteen Minutes*
Smiley, Jane/ *Early Warning*
Steinhauser, Olen/ *All the Old Knives*
Wood, Stuart/ *Hot Pursuit*

NON-FICTION

Bergen, Candice/ *A Fine Romance*
O'Reilly Bill/ *Bill O'Reilly's Legends and Lies*

ANNUAL LIBRARY LAWN SALE

The Annual Library Lawn Sale to benefit the Renovation Fund will be held this year on Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16 at the Hastings' barn, 538 Malbons Mills Road. If you have items to donate, please call 474 3949. As always, we are looking for gently used household items, baskets, toys, tools, books, puzzles, games, sports equipment, etc. - and furniture that can be lifted by two "senior citizens"! Please, no electronics.

We're also looking for workers: Pricing and set-up on May 13 and 14; Selling on May 15 and 16; Clean-up and trucking on May 19. Please call 474 3949 if you have some time to spare. THANK YOU!



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Your librarians:

Library Director Dale Jandreau
Children's Librarian Angie Herrick
Assistant Librarian Francoise LaBonte

Your Library Trustees:

Toni Jo Blaisdell,
Corrilla Hastings, Carol Jarvais,
Sara McCabe, Lynn Perry,
Lynda Quinn, Warren Shay
Ex Officio: FOL Chair

Friends officers:

Co Chairs: Margo Reid, Kathy Evans, Jeanne Shay
Tracey Brown, sec. Kathleen Littlefield, treas.

Calendar of Events

Story Time: Every Wednesday, 10 AM

MAY

May 4 Children's Book Week Party & Book Swap, 4:30

May 5 Library Trustees meeting, 6 PM

May 6 Renovation Committee Meeting, 4 PM.

May 6 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 PM

May 9 Socrates Café discussion group, 11 to 1

May 11 Toddler Time, 10:30

May 13 Annual Friends of the Library public meeting, 6 PM

May 15 & 16 Annual Yard Sale at Hastings' barn, 538 Malbons Mills Rd. (benefit: Library Renovation)

May 16 Last day for Saturday open hours until October

May 19 Adult Mental Health First Aid class sponsored by NAMI Maine (National Alliance on Mental Illness), 9 - 6

May 19 Family Story Hour, Sloth stories, 4:30

May 25 Library closed for Memorial Day

JUNE

June 2 Library Trustees meeting, 6 PM

June 8 Skowhegan Town meeting,

June 10 Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM

June 23 Summer Reading Kickoff – Buster B. Concert at Coburn Park, 11:30

June 30 Nature's Heroes at the LC Bates Museum, 10:30

June 30 Youth Mental Health First Aid, 9 AM to 6 PM

