



THE LIBRARY LOOKOUT November 2004

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

The new school year has brought several field trips back to the library. It is so nice to see MANY familiar faces from the summer reading program. It also brings the children in so that they may complete research on projects for school. The new books purchased with funds from the Summer Concerts in the Park have come in very handy. Once again many thanks for those who came out to support us this summer.

We had great fun Saturday morning at the 2nd annual Halloween Parade. There were around 300 children and adults in costume that morning. Many thanks to the volunteers for the day: Minnie from Blueberry Cupboard, Mrs. Joan Laney, Connie Connell, Scott LeBlanc, Sasha Bradford, Corrilla Hastings and Maureen Calder.

The Halloween Parade was supported by the following downtown businesses: Skowhegan Fire Department, Skowhegan Police Department, Blueberry Cupboard, The Paper Klip, Key Appliance, Computer Improvements, Whittemore's Real Estate, George's Smoke Shop, Russakoff Jewelers, Karen's Klostet, Variety Drug, Betty Mae's Video, The Republican office, PJ's Party store, Lynnette's, Club Tan, Margaret Chase Smith Library, Miles Carpenter Insurance, Griffin's, Tip Top Smoke Shop.

We hope to have pictures of some spooky characters for next month's newsletter.

We are in search of donations of oats, bird seed and glitter. We will be making reindeer food for the Holiday Stroll, and any assistance that you can give would be greatly appreciated. Many thanks for all who stepped up to the plate and made donations of glue, scissors and paper. Thank you so much.

LIBRARY NEWS

The JTG Foundation is a private Maine foundation seeking to promote and improve public access to computer resources in public libraries throughout rural Maine. The JTG Foundation has donated six new Dell computers which will be hooked up in place of the Gates computers currently in use. Look for the bright new screens available by the 3rd. The Gates computers, which have children's games on them, will be hooked up in the Children's Library just as soon as the wiring is available for them.

The library will be closed on November 11th for Veteran's Day and again on November 25th for Thanksgiving. Story Hour will be cancelled on November 24th.

Due to the Christmas and New Year holidays, the library will be closed on December 24th, 25th and 31st. Story hour will be cancelled December 22nd and 29th.

Speaking of Christmas, there are still plenty of cookbooks for sale. Also our Milton Christianson prints and postcards are still available as well. A little birdie told me that the postcards make great gift cards for your gifts. These are two great ways to help complete your Christmas shopping as well as help the library!

You may taste a few of the recipes in *Readers' Recipes* during the Holiday Stroll on Saturday, December 4th. We will be open for our regular business hours; from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The downstairs will have live music and will have refreshments made from our cookbook.

In the Children's Room during the Holiday Stroll, we will have a milk and cookie party. We will have crafts for the children, including the making of reindeer food.

Have a happy Thanksgiving!

FUND RAISERS

Cookbook: The Library cookbook, "Readers' Recipes", is selling well! You may purchase copies at the Library, P.J.'s Party Store, Blueberry Cupboard, Alice & Co., the Town Office, or from any member of the Friends Executive Board. It would make a wonderful Christmas present for your friends and relatives!



Brown lunch bags ready to be filled

Library Lunches: Thanks to the many volunteers who worked on this project, we sold 203 lunches for a profit of \$942.51! Twenty-six cookbooks were sold at the same time. Along with donations received and profits from the lunch, we raised a total of \$1242.51.

We had more sales people than ever before. Christine Smith, Corrilla Hastings and Maureen Calder covered Madison Avenue, Water Street and parts of North Avenue and Elm Street. Dina Jeannotte, Marilyn Renfrew, Mary Stuart and Petra Prokop sold lunches to doctor's offices, elementary schools and the School Superintendent's office. You did a great job everyone!

Once the orders were collected, Corrilla had the mind boggling job of figuring out how many of each sandwich was ordered and how many were on wheat or white bread. Marcia Granville used those totals to order the bread, meat and cheese.

Corrilla also totaled up how many of each of the five beverages were ordered. Armed

with all those figures plus the lists of ingredients, Marcia went shopping at Sam's Club, Hannaford's and Shaw's. Fortunately, Corrilla and Marcia got the numbers right and there were no shortages and no great overrun of ingredients, either.

Our sandwich makers were Corrilla, Dottie LaCasse, Christine Smith, Kathy Hughes, Maureen Calder and Carol Jarvis. While the sandwiches were being made, Jim Hastings and Marcia put apples, napkins, and cookies into 203 paper bags.

Finally, six crews delivered the sandwiches all over town. Our thanks go to Katherine LeBlanc and Connie Connell, Dottie and Gerald LaCasse, Nancy Warren and her daughter, Sherri Vigue and Lynn Govani, Petra Prokop and her little son and Maureen Calder.

Our thanks go to Hannaford's Food and Drug for their generous donation. Special thanks go to North Star Orchards who have donated all the beautiful big apples for each of our Library Lunches.

Last but not least, we thank all of the volunteers who generously baked and donated the desserts. You added a touch of homemade goodness to the lunch and increased the amount of money raised.



Dottie LaCasse and Kathy Hughes make salad sandwiches. It was chicken in 2000, tuna in 2004.

These are photos taken of the Library Lunch, not this year but in 2000, but pictures taken this October would look very much the same.

WHAT ARE YOU READING?

While selling "Library Lunches", we asked some Skowhegan business people what book they've enjoyed recently.

Cliff Foxwell - *Last Man Standing* by David Baldacci

Rachael Salisbury - *Gianna* by Jessica Shaver

Jeremy Martinez - *Complete Works of Sherlock Holmes*

Dick LaCasse - *Angels of Demons* by Dan Brown

Audrey Jones - *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini

Julie Smith - *I Love You Ronnie; The Letters of Ronald Reagan to Nancy Reagan*

Doreen Poulin - *The Guardian* by Nicholas Sparks

Crystal Deck - *Deliver Us from Evil: Defeating Terrorism, Despotism and Liberalism* by Sean Hannity

Sumner Hayward - *Longfellow, a Rediscovered Life* by Charles C. Calhoun

Missy Mc Donald - *Night Before Kindergarten* by Natasha Wing

Janeice Holmes - *Flirting With Pete* by Barbara Delinsky

Alan Foxwell - *The Flight* by C.F. Runyan
Eureka by William Diehl

Blue Horizon by Wilbur Smith



Jim Hastings looks on as Dottie and Gerald LaCasse get ready to load their delivery wagon.

NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERSHIPS IN OCTOBER

Claire and Chris Perkins
Carol Withee
Mary and Alan Burgess



Corrilla Hastings cleans up at the end of the day.

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.

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

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Tel. # _____

E-Mail Address _____

The Library Lookout is sponsored by



Skowhegan Savings Bank
YOUR PARTNER FOR THE FUTURE

Serving Central Maine Since 1869
SKOWHEGAN • BELLEFLEUR • BINGHAM • CORINNA • DEXTER • FAIRFIELD
LIVERMORE FALLS • MADISON • NORRISBORO • PITTSFIELD

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

Every Wednesday Story and Craft Hour, 10 am in the Children's Room

November 9 Library Trustees Meeting, 4 pm at the Library The public is welcome to attend.

November 11 Closed for Veteran's Day

November 24 Story Hour cancelled

November 25 Closed for Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

Every Wednesday Story and Craft Hour, 10 am in the Children's Room

December 4 Holiday Stroll Milk and cookie party and crafts for the children as well as live entertainment and refreshments downstairs

December 7 Library Trustees Meeting, 4 pm at the Library The public is welcome to attend.

December 22 Story Hour cancelled

December 24 Library closed

December 25 Library closed for Christmas

December 29 Story Hour cancelled

December 31 Library Closed



The Library Lookout
Friends of the Skowhegan
Free Public Library
c/o Marcia B. Granville
P.O. Box 278
Skowhegan, Maine 04976

Your Librarians are:

Library Director Blynn Currier,
Assistant Librarian Françoise LaBonte,
Children's Librarian Katherine LeBlanc

Your Library Trustees are:

Bill Laney, Warren Shay,
Lee Granville, Toni Jo Blaisdell
and Carol Jarvais

Friends officers are:

Dina Jeannotte, Pres.,
Mary Stuart, Vice Pres.,
Maureen Calder, Sec.
Pam Arsenault, Treas

Editor, Marcia B. Granville

