



# 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

If you haven't gotten a chance to see the latest display of art in the basement level, you're missing a great showing of local talent. This past month, poetry month, saw many interesting works using words as art. From in your face to sublime, it's all on display. Stop by the library and check it out.

And speaking of the basement level, we have a very nice Conference Room that seats 10 that we loan, or rent out to different groups. Please speak with the Director if you're interested.

We've made a couple of changes in the Children's library for the better. The Non-fiction section is now the first thing you see as you enter the children's library. We've kept the same section listings and color coding as before. The Youth and Young Adult sections have been placed together instead of in two different areas. The child paperback section was morphed into the new Youth/Young Adult section, making it much easier to find books in these categories.

Don't forget our Monday discussion and craft groups. A different group meets each Monday at 10:30. Why not join in and talk about a book, learn about new technology, get gardening tips, or learn to crochet. There's no charge for any of these groups, and no sign up. Just show up. It doesn't get any easier than that.

Work is continuing on the elevator tower. The openings have been cut for the doorways from the main building to the tower, sheetrock has been installed, and paint applied. Two stacks on the main floor in the fiction section have been removed. It looks to be a busy few months as we finish the renovations. By the way, we're still

looking for more funds to finish the work. If you haven't gotten a chance to donate yet, please do. Any amount is a help.

Yard Sale, Yard Sale, Yard Sale, don't miss our annual yard sale May 19th and 20th at Hastings Barn on Malbons Mills Road. We'll have a sign out by the road so you don't miss us. Lots of goodies for all, with proceeds to benefit the library renovations. By the way, if you have any gently used treasures at home cluttering up the closet, why not donate them to us for the yard sale? You'll get a clean closet and we'll get more saleable items; a win, win for both of us!

Don't forget; winter hours end on Saturday, May 20th. After that date, operating hours will be Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm.

Until next month,

Dale

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## CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

May is a transitional month in the children's library. We end our school year this month so I can gear up for the summer reading program fun that starts at the end of June. This summer reading program is themed, "Build A Better World!" We are still collecting prizes to hand out for participants who meet their weekly reading goals, so if you want to make a donation, there is still time. We have had quite a few roll in. The summer brochures will be heading home with students in grades K-5 sometime in early June with all the program details, so be on the lookout.

Tween the Pages Book Club will hold its last meeting for the year on May 3rd. We will be having a pizza party to celebrate our reading achievements and the hard work we put in this school year. This group of 11 students had an amazing year doing a lot of fun things that all tied back to the books they read. They had pen pals from Ohio, created clay sculptures and holograms. The group made rainbow slime, survival bracelets, and did a community service project helping the animal shelter. They read a total of seven books this school year and I hope they all had as much fun as I did.

During the summer months the library gets really busy. To keep up to date with all the programs and goings-on, please "like" and check our Facebook page often. We have had a big change in the children's library. Nearly all of the books have been re-organized and although it will take a bit of time to get used to the new layout, we feel that the newly organized books flow smoother and make an easier footprint in the library. Please feel free to ask for help locating items while we all get used to the changes.

I am also excited to say that the Children's Library raised enough money to purchase a baby changing station. This will be secured on the wall in the upstairs bathroom soon. Thank you to everyone who helped.

## Children's Library Wish List

White cardstock  
Tissues  
Summer Reading Program Prizes  
Lego donations

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*Teen Regression Session Trivia Night*

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### 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

### MONDAY DISCUSSION GROUPS

A series of monthly informal discussion groups will be offered at the Library on Monday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 during May and June. Subjects include:

“What are you reading?” led by Alan Foxwell,  
“Technology Help” led by David James,  
“Gardening Hints” led by Jim Hastings, and  
“Knitting/Crocheting” led by Pat Dickey. For specific dates and more information, please call the library.

### FOL Notes

The Library Lunch fundraiser went well again this year. On April 14, we made and delivered 292 bag lunches, with a profit of \$2,014.64. Thank you to all who helped: the salespeople, the sandwich makers, the delivery drivers, the set-up people, the dessert makers, the North Star Orchard, George’s Market, Hannaford, Wal-mart, Sam’s Club, 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 June 17 at Lakewood. Save the date, you golfers.

The Friends of the Library Annual meeting takes place on Wednesday, May 10 at 6 PM for all who would like to attend. New officers will be elected to the Board of the Friends.

### “FIRST FRIDAY SWEET TREATS”

Look for the next “First Friday Sweet Treats” in September when the feature will be fruit pies and quick breads!

### ANNUAL LAWN SALE (May 19 & 20)

Time, once again, to collect furniture, toys, tools, household items, etc. for the annual lawn sale. Items may be left at the library or at Hastings’ barn (Please call first: 474 3949)

We are also looking for helpers on Thursday, May 18 for pricing, and on both Friday and Saturday at the sale. Please call Corrilla if you want to join the fun! 474 3949.

### FICTION

Baldacci, David/ The Fix  
Berry, Steve/ The Lost Order  
Carr, Robyn/ Any Day Now  
Clark, Mary Higgins/ All by Myself, Alone  
Deaver, Jeffery/ The Burial Hour  
Harper, Karen/ Falling Darkness  
Heseldine, Jane/ Duplicity  
Hoagland, Edward/ In the Country of the Blind (LP)  
Jio, Sarah/ Always (LP)  
Landvik, Lorna/ Once in a Blue Moon Lodge  
Lewis, Beverly/ The Ebb Tide  
Michaels, Fern/ High Stakes  
Paretsky, Sara/ Fallout  
Patterson, James/ Break Point (Bookshot), Code Red (Bookshot), Dead Heat (Bookshot), Heist (Bookshot), The Hostage (Bookshot), Kidnapped (Bookshot), The Verdict (Bookshot), Two from the Heart  
Riley, Lucinda/ The Shadow Sister  
Sanford, John/ Golden Prey  
Scottoline, Lisa/ One Perfect Life  
Seizer, Adam/ H.H. Holmes  
Smith, Alexander McCall/ My Italian Bulldozer  
Smith, Wilbur A./ War Cry  
Strout, Elizabeth/ Anything is Possible  
Trollope, Joanna/ City of Friends  
Woods, Stuart/ Fast & Loose

### NON-FICTION

English, Ashley/ The Essential Book of Homesteading  
Edelman, Ric/ The Truth About Your Future  
Kelley, Margot Anne (Editor)/ The Maine Review  
Penman, Jim/ Biohistory – Decline and Fall of the West

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### NEW & RENEWED FOL MEMBERS

Marilyn & Roger Renfrew  
Mary Stuart

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### BOTTLES & CANS REFUNDS

**Amazing News!** Since 2009, our community has donated \$4,996.15 to the Renovation by returning 99,923 bottles & cans for refunds! Just 77 more cans will make it an even \$5,000.00 fundraiser to-date!

Let’s keep it going. The library will always have unexpected expenses for programs, repairs, etc. Just take your cans to EMTEEZ and tell the clerk to “keep the money for the library!” (Or make the returns elsewhere and leave the money at the library.)

## **The Library Lookout**

**9 Elm Street**

**Skowhegan, ME 04976**

### **Library Staff**

Library Director: Dale Jandreau  
Children's Librarian: Angie Herrick  
Library Assistants: Francoise LaBonte  
Tanya Folsom

### **Your Library Trustees:**

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

### **Friends officers:**

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

## **Calendar of Events**

**Story Time: Every Wednesday, 10 AM**

May 1 "What are you reading?" discussion group with Alan Foxwell, 10:30  
May 2 Library Trustees meeting, 6 PM  
May 3 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30  
May 4 Transition Skowhegan discussion group, 6 PM  
May 8 "Technology Help" discussion group with David James, 10:30  
May 10 Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM  
May 10 FOL Annual Meeting, 6 PM  
May 13 Socrates Cafe discussion group, 11 AM  
May 15 "Gardening Hints" discussion group with Jim Hastings, 10:30  
May 16 Family Story Hour, 4:30 to 5:30  
May 19 & 20 Library Lawn Sale at Jim and Corrilla Hastings' barn, 8 AM to 3 PM  
May 20 Library winter hours end  
May 20 Essential Oils Class, 10 AM  
May 22 Knitting/Crocheting group with Pat Dickey, 10:30  
May 29 Library closed for Memorial Day  
June 5 "What are you reading?" with Alan Foxwell, 10:30  
June 6 Library Trustees meeting, 6 PM  
June 12 Technology Help with David James, 10:30  
June 14 Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM  
June 16 Teen Regression Session 6 to 8:30 (For High School Students only)  
June 19 Gardening Hints with Jim Hastings, 10:30  
June 26 Knitting and Crocheting with Pat Dickey, 10:30  
June 26 Summer Reading Program begins  
June 27 Author visit with Lynn Plourde at Lake George Regional Park