



The Library Lookout

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DIRECTOR’S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

I was looking for some way to express what June means to me and I came across this poem from F.G. Sanders. “Far up in the deep blue sky, Great white clouds are floating by; All the world is dressed in green; Many happy birds are seen, Roses bright and sunshine clear show that lovely June is here.” I hope you enjoyed it.

June 8th will be my last day as your Library Director. My wife and I have decided to move back to the Katahdin Region to be closer to family. I’ve enjoyed my time here, and hope I’ve been able to meet your library needs. Thanks for making my job so enjoyable. You’re really a great bunch of folks!

My thanks to Jayne Hart, and all of the volunteers who bake such delicious treats for our “Friday Sweet Treats” bake sale each month. I always look forward to buying some new treat made with such care.

Our “Night in Oman” program with Mike Walker was a great success. 17 people stopped by to listen to Mike talk about this wonderful Middle Eastern country. His slides and talk were very interesting and informative.

My thanks to all of you who donated items to our annual yard sale in May. Corrilla’s barn was stuffed with sale items. We wouldn’t have made as much money as we did without your generosity. An especially big thank you to Jim and Corrilla. Your barn is a perfect locale for our yard sale. What’s the old real estate mantra, “location, location, location?” It certainly helps to have such a great place to do business.

The town of Skowhegan will be applying for another Façade Grant this year. Businesses and organizations in the downtown area can submit a request for funding to upgrade the outside of their building. The library will be requesting monies to have the outside entrance refurbished. We’ve been piecing the entrance together for years, and this grant would allow us to do the work needed all at once.

I’ll leave you with this thought: “if a June night could talk, it would probably boast it invented romance” - Bern Williams.

Dale



Sarah and Dale

Thank you for your seven years of leadership at the Skowhegan Library – not only serving as director, but guiding us tirelessly through the years of our major renovation.

We wish you great happiness in your move back to the Katahdin Region!

CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Youth Services Librarian

The "Libraries Rock!" summer reading program is gearing up and sign-ups will begin on June 4th. We are inviting all kids ages 2 -12 to participate. It's an 8 week long program that begins on June 25th and is aimed at keeping kids engaged in reading and learning all summer long. Registering your kids is as simple as coming in to the library to fill out a sign-up sheet. (The first 100 kids get a free bag with goodies!) The kids who sign up will keep track of their weekly reading all eight weeks, and for each week they fulfill their goal, they get a prize. It's that easy. Last year, our participants read 2,206 books, let's see if we can beat that this year!

In addition to reading for prizes, we also offer weekly storytimes and weekly family programs. Our summer storytimes will be all about rocks. These storytimes will take place every Wednesday at 10:15. Our family programs are a lot of fun activities that are open and free to all. Some of the programs are here at the library and others are out and about in the community. All of these programs are on Tuesdays and the descriptions of them can be found on our website and on our Facebook page. Schedules of programs will be going out to Skowhegan kids in grades K-5 within the next couple of weeks or you can pick one up at the library when you register your child/children.



I would like to say a special thank you to the Friends of the Skowhegan Library who funded all of our Tuesday programs for the summer reading program and to all the local businesses and people who have donated incentives to hand out to our young readers when they meet their weekly goals! We will continue to collect prizes from anyone willing to donate throughout the summer.



Making "frog faces" is great fun for all ages!

BECOME A FRIEND OF YOUR LIBRARY TODAY!

The Friends of the Skowhegan Free Public Library is a not-for-profit organization that helps promote and improve the Library's resources and facilities. Your membership in the Friends provides critical support to our Library. Suggested dues are \$24 for individuals and \$36 for families. Many give even more. Please consider the role that our Library plays in our community, and choose a level of support that's right for you. Whatever you decide, you can be sure that any amount is gratefully received and much needed.

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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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State _____ Zip Code _____
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E-Mail Address _____

Please check the activities you are willing to help with.

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

LAWN SALE

Due to a team of energetic volunteers, the lawn sale brought a total of \$1,943.30 for the library. THANK YOU to all who donated such wonderful items to tempt the many shoppers, and three cheers to the volunteer workers who priced, sorted, and sold on the weekend of the sale. Included were Margo, Maureen, Bonnie, Pat, Kathy, Jeanne, David, Gloria, Lynda, Richard and Jim.

A TRIP TO OMAN



On May 29 an enthusiastic library audience was treated to a fascinating program about a recent trip to Oman by Jean and Mike Walker. A description of travel experiences along with many beautiful photos were enjoyed by all.

COMING SOON -

FRIDAY SWEET TREATS

Friday Sweet Treats will be on Friday, June 8th from 10 AM to 6 PM. Come and choose a homemade treat to take home for your family.

GRASSFED AT BIGELOW BREWING CO.

Tickets are now available at the library for the **Grassfed Concert** to be held on Thursday, June 28 from 6 to 9 PM at the Bigelow Brewing Company on Bigelow Hill Road in Skowhegan. Get your tickets now as they will sell quickly!

Based out of Kansas City, the popular Grassfed band has a sound all its own, and tours nationally. All proceeds from the concert will benefit the Skowhegan Free Public Library.

SKOWHEGAN TIME LINE

An eight-foot long "Skowhegan Time Line" will soon be hung in the upstairs area next to the stairway to the mezzanine. It is the work of Iver Lofving's Middle School students.

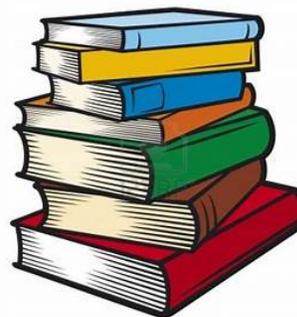
NEW BOOKS

FICTION

Andrews, Mary Kay/ *The High Tide Club*
Atkins, Ace/ *Robert B. Parker's Old Black Magic*
Balogh, Mary/ *Someone to Care*
Bell, Ted/ *Overkill*
Bowen, Rhys/ *In Farleigh Field* (LP)
Brown, Rita Mae/ *Probable Claws*
Buffa, Dudley/ *Necessity*
Cussler, Clive/ *The Gray Ghost*
Evans, Richard Paul/ *The Forgotten Road*
Goldberg, Lee/ *True Fiction*
Graham, Heather/ *Fade to Black*
King, Stephen/ *The Outsider*
Kingsbury, Karen/ *To the Moon and Back*
Koontz, Dean/ *The Crooked Staircase*
Margolin, Phillip/ *The Third Victim* (LP)
Monroe, Mary Alice/ *Beach House Reunion*
Pronzini, Bill/ *Give-A-Damn-Jones*
Roberts, Nora/ *Shelter in Place*
Spillane, Mickey/ *Killing Town*
Steel, Danielle/ *The Cast*
Trollope, Joanne/ *An Unsuitable Match*

NON FICTION

Morton, Andrew/ Meghan – *A Hollywood Princess* (Biography)



FOL ANNUAL MEETING

Both Pat Dickey and Lynda Quinn addressed members at the Friends' Annual Meeting. They spoke of the recent renovation and its importance to the library. Youth Services Librarian, Angie Herrick was presented with a graduation gift, and FOL officers were elected as follows: Bonnie Chamberlain, president; Maureen Davis, vice president; Tracey Brown, secretary and David James, treasurer.

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Library Staff

Library Director: Dale Jandreau
Youth Services Librarian: Angie Herrick
Library Assistants: Francoise LaBonte,
Breanna Bussell & Josie Pease

Your Library Trustees:

Toni Jo Blaisdell,
Carol Jarvis, Hannah Luce,
Lynn Perry, Lynda Quinn,
Warren Shay
Ex Officio: FOL Chairs

Friends officers:

Pres. Bonnie Chamberlain
Vice Pres. Maureen Davis
Tracey Brown, sec. David James, treas.

Calendar of Events

Story Time: Every Wednesday, 10:15 AM

JUNE

June 4 Registration for Summer Reading Program begins
June 5 Library Trustee meeting, 6 PM
June 8 "Friday Sweet Treats", 10 AM to 6 PM at the Library. Homemade treats for sale!
June 11 Town Meeting 7 PM. Please vote for the library budget!
June 19 Let's Talk About it Book Club at Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6:00 PM
June 25 Summer Reading Program begins
June 26 LC Bates Museum presents: Rocks Rock! 3 PM
June 28 Library fundraiser at the Bigelow Brewing Company – Grassfed Concert - 6 to 9 PM

JULY

July 3 Library Trustee meeting, 6 PM
July 4 Library closed for the holiday
July 10 Big Rock Candy Mountain Storytime at 4 PM
July 17 Judy Pancoast Concert at Coburn Park., 5:30 PM
July 24 Northern Stars Planetarium Shows at 10 and 11 at the Margaret Chase Smith Library (pre-registration is required for this event.)
July 31 Maine Author visit from Ryan T. Higgins at Coburn Park at 2 PM