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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6
Sat. 10-2

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

"April showers bring May flowers,"

unless you live in Central Maine when it brings April snow storms. Well, that's finally passed anyways. At least we're getting the rain now, along with some milder days. My cats couldn't wait until the snow melted off the grass to roll around in it. I guess they're a good example; spend more time outside enjoying the little things this spring.

I've finished doing the moving and relisting of the items in the Non-fiction area. I've created new number and Dewey decimal classification signs and placed them at the ends of each row to help guide you in finding what you're looking for. Check it out if you get a chance.

We had a great turnout on April 19th for the High School Art Show. Our local student artists certainly out did themselves this year. If you missed this year's showing, please keep us in mind for next year. We certainly enjoyed showcasing these students' work. Our thanks go out to Tina Anzelc for asking the library to host the show again this year.

Mel Burnham, Director of Skowhegan History House, brought us another great program on April 23rd. Mel spoke about log driving on the Kennebec, and also displayed some tools used on the drive. It was standing room only for this roundtable discussion. Many past log drivers attended, and spoke about their time on the drive. A video and slideshow added to the discussion. If you missed this one, be on the lookout for future History House programs.

The library has helped a variety of different groups the last few months. We've assisted in

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training reading volunteers and provided a space for them to tutor; provided space for educational tutors; researched and fulfilled genealogical requests; made available space for private non-profit group training; partnered with other agencies to provide an adult book club and meeting space; hosted a monthly public discussion group; given guided tours of the library and renovations; and furnished library space for adult and children's programming.

Our apologies for not offering our monthly Jazz Program the last couple of months. The group is going through some changes with the loss of their keyboard player (his company transferred him). Andy Russakoff has been working diligently trying to find a replacement (thank you for your persistence, Andy). Hopefully, he'll find someone soon. We certainly do miss having the group here each month.

I'll leave you with this thought; "We are put on this planet only once, and to limit ourselves to the familiar is a crime against our minds." Roger Ebert

Until next month, Dale



Françoise and Dale draw the name for the winner of the Library Week raffle. Jennifer Stockford won a Library tote bag containing recently published books. Congratulations, Jennifer!

The Library Lookout

9 Elm Street

Skowhegan, ME 04976

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 6 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM

May 7 Tween the Pages Book Club (for students in grades 5 – 8)

May 7 Library Renovation Committee Meeting, 6 PM

May 10 Socrates Café, 11 to 1

May 12 Toddler Time, 10:30

May 12 Children's Book Week Celebration: Book Character Costume Party & Book Exchange, 4:30

May 14 Genealogy Program, 1 PM

May 14 Friends of the Library Annual Meeting, 6:30 PM

May 16 & 17 Library Lawn Sale at 538 Malbons Mills Road, 8 to 3

May 20 Book Signing with Author Annie Stillwater Gray, 3 to 5:30 PM

May 20 Family Story Hour: Gerald and Piggy! 4:30

May 24 Library closed for Memorial Day Weekend

May 26 Library closed for Memorial Day

May 31 Saturday hours end

JUNE

June 3 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM

June 11 Library Art Show reception, 6 to 8 PM

June 12, 13, 16, 17 & 18 Library Art Show, 10 AM to 6 PM

June 17 Family Story Hour: Flower in Bloom, 4:30

June 23 SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS

June 24 Buster B. Concert at Coburn Park, 2:30



Kathy, Jeanne, Margo and Kathy have reason to be pleased with the Library Lunch Sale!

LUNCHTIME!

2014 was another good year for Library Lunches. We sold 329 brown bag lunches, ten more than last year, for a profit of \$2,181.20. The entire process went smoothly but only because we had so much help.

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FOL ANNUAL MEETING

We invite all Friends to join us for the Annual Meeting on May 14 at 6:30. Director Dale Jandreau will update us on the renovation progress. Refreshments will be served.

RENOVATION FUNDRAISER

We're looking forward to the annual **Library Lawn Sale** on May 16 & 17 (2 days this year!). Please bring any items directly to 538 Malbons Mills Rd. or drop off smaller items at the library. (No TVs, please!)

We are also looking for some volunteers on either Friday or Saturday, and for clean-up the following Monday. Please call Corrilla (474 3949) if you have some time to spare.

SAVE THE DATE!

An **Art Show** to celebrate the Library's 125th anniversary!

June 11: Artists' Reception and Open House, 6 to 8 PM

June 12, 13, 16, 17 & 18: Art Show hours, 10 AM to 6 PM

NEW BOOKS

FICTION

Atherton, Nancy/ *Aunt Dimity and the Wishing Well*

Baldacci, David/ *The Target*

Barr, Nevada/ *Destroyer Angel*

Bell, Ted/ *Warriors*

Binchy, Maevel/ *Chestnut Street*

Bradford, Barbara Taylor/ *Cavendon Hall*

Clark, Mary Higgins/ *I've Got You Under My Skin*

De Rosnay, Tatiana/ *The Other Story*

Iles, Greg/ *Natchez Burning*

Johansen, Iris/ *Live to See Tomorrow*

Lewis, Beverly/ *The Last Bride*

Lowell, Elizabeth/ *Night Diver*

Macomber, Debbie/ *Country Bride*

Michaels, Fern/ *Family Affair*

Quick, Amanda/ *Otherwise Engaged*

Roberts, Nora/ *The Collector*

Rosenberg, Joel C./ *The Auschwitz Escape*

Ross, Ann B./ *Miss Julia's Marvelous Makeover*

Scottoline, Lisa/ *Keep Quiet*

Woods, Stuart/ *Carnal Curiosity*

Woodsmall, Cindy/ *Seasons of Tomorrow*

NON-FICTION

Sixsmith, Martin/ *Philomena*

NEW & RENEWED FOL MEMBERS

Marion Snyder

Corrilla and Jim Hastings

Marcia and Lee Granville

Lisa Veilleux

CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

Kids are beginning the countdown until school is out and summer is here. (Seven weeks by my count!) Summer brings the Summer Reading Program to the library, which this year is themed: "Read Around Town!" This will be a really fun program with many free family events. To register, all you need to do is have a library card or be in the MSAD 54 school district. Registrations for the Summer Reading Program will begin in June, so look for more information to be coming home with students at about that time. Before we get to summer, however, we still have to finish out spring.

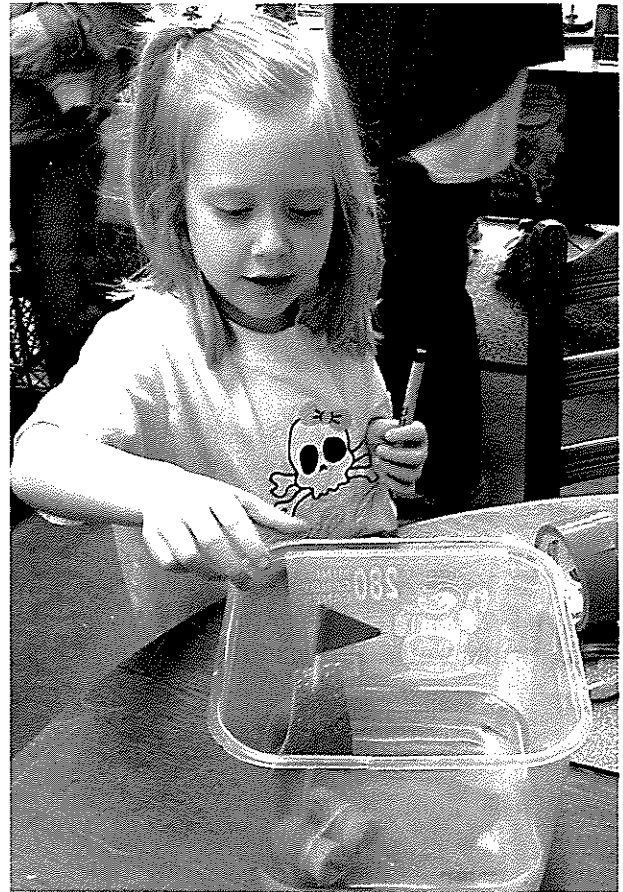
Our Art & Earth Day "Craft"ernoon program went very nicely this year. Over the course of the morning, we had almost sixty kids coming in and out. We used recycled materials to make cork sailboats, ladybugs, bird feeders, and windsocks. Thank you to Maureen Davis, Janet Herrick, Jeff Betts and Edna Griffins for donating some of the supplies needed to make all of these crafts!

May will be a fun month as well. The week of May 12th is Children's Book Week. On Monday, May 12th at 4:30 we will have a Children's Book Character Costume Party. Come dressed as your favorite book character and have some fun! Also, feel free to bring a gently used book or two for a book swap.

Our Tween the Pages Book Club will be wrapping up this month. In total we have read seven books together and have done art projects, service projects, historical research and even a treasure hunt! This book club is geared for students in grades 5 – 8 and will be starting back up in September.

Please note that May will be our last month for Toddler Times. We will be taking the summer off as many toddlers come in for Storytime with older siblings instead.

As always, please remember that you can always get more information on any of our programs or general goings-on of the library on our website: <http://www.skowhegan.lib.me.us/> or like our Facebook page.



Nora tests her cork sail boat at Art & Earth Day "Crafternoon"

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



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First of all, Deb and Mark Tanner provided the venue, spacious Tewksbury Hall, where we were able to make the sandwiches, and because of its prime location, send the lunches quickly to their destinations. We cannot thank them enough for such generosity.

Special thanks go to Tracey Browne who sent out a plea for homemade desserts to our wonderful Friends of the Library. The response was amazing: whoopee pies, bars, cookies. When the lunch bags are opened, what a treat to find a luscious sweet at the bottom of the bag! Nice going, Tracey!

The first crew to get the process rolling rests with the salespeople. They go from door to door leaving menus and order forms, to return a week or two later to pick up the orders and the money. Thanks to Tina Anzelc, Jeanne Shay, Margo Reid, Patsy Miller, Judie McCarthy, Anna Wilbur, Kathy Evans, Mary Stuart, and Janet Mayhew for rounding up 329 orders.

When the orders are in, they are poured over by Jeanne Shay, Kathy Evans, and Margo Reid who count, recount, and count again to make sure we match orders with customers, to make shopping lists for lunch ingredients, and to divide the orders into "loads" that the delivery people will eventually distribute.

The day before delivery day is a busy one. We prepare ingredients, chopping, slicing, and grating. Jenn York, Gloria Nicholson, Kathy Littlefield along with Jeanne, Kathy, and Margo all helped with this chore. Later that night, we meet at Tewksbury Hall to set up, a task that involves placing the brown bags on long tables and filling the bags with apples, chips, napkins, and desserts. Thanks to Annie MacMichael, Kathy Littlefield, Anna Wilbur for their help.

Early on lunch day, the sandwich makers arrive. During the next few hours, they prepare egg salad, tuna, ham and cheese, and veggie wrap sandwiches which are then distributed to the brown bags. It's an efficient crew: Tina Anzelc, Kathy Littlefield, Jenn York, Marcia Granville, Anna Wilbur, Cindy Manuel, Christine Smith, Virginia Jordan, and Ann Lynch.

About midmorning, the delivery people arrive. They pick up their "loads", along with the drinks for each customer, and head out to the hungry with a delicious lunch. Thanks Warren Shay, Jim and Corrilla Hastings, Jenn York, Janet Mayhew, Maureen Davis, Sylvia Richardson, Judie and Bob McCarthy, Mary Stuart, Sherri Vigue, Annie MacMichael, Tracey Brown, and Tina Anzelc.

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