



The Library Lookout

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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6

Sat. 10-2

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

With winter coming on (did I just say that?), I just wanted to remind everyone about our inclement weather policy. If you hear that MSAD 54 is closed due to bad weather via radio, T.V., or other method, the library is too. We do try to place a message on our answering machine, webpage, and Facebook page alerting folks to the closing. When we are open, please take care entering and exiting the building. We do our best to keep the stairs and walkway clear and salted, but they can get slippery. Please watch your step and use the handrails.

Many times we are asked to reserve a room for a meeting. We try to accommodate everyone if possible, but space is limited (size of the group may play a part). If you'd like to reserve a space for your club, social group, etc., please be flexible. Give us more than one option for dates and times. Also, please try to contact us at least two weeks in advance. In the past, we've had to turn groups away because we weren't able to get them the date they wanted. Someone else had already booked it. Advance notice really does help.

The library tries to provide educational and/or entertainment type programs each month. Please help us get the word out. We try to list them each month in the Library Lookout, but sometimes it's already gone to press before we receive confirmation from the party doing the program. If you see a sign at the library advertising a program, or see one listed on our

webpage or Facebook page, please let your friends know. Word of mouth is still a great way to get the word out about our programming. Just think, the friend you told about one of our programs is the friend that got help with an issue, learned a new task, or spent an enjoyable evening at the library.

The library in partnership with the Federal Trade Commission will be providing free brochures or pamphlets covering a variety of subjects of interest to the public. Here's a partial list of publications: Auto Repair Basics, Buying a Used Car, Coping with Debt, Credit Repair: How to Help Yourself, Shopping for Funeral Services, and Taking Charge: What to do if your Identity is Stolen. These publications will be on hand by the end of November. Please ask for them at the Adult Circulation Desk.

The library is also a source for your Federal Income Tax Forms and Booklets. Each year, we order a number of 1040 forms and other printed resources from the Federal Government (these usually start showing up in late December). If we don't have it, items can be printed out from the I.R.S. website. Concerning State of Maine tax forms, they haven't sent tax forms to libraries in a couple of years. We usually go online and print some out for our patrons. The Maine Revenue Service tells us that if you wish to have tax forms and booklets mailed to you, you must fill out a request form from the State of Maine.

I'll leave you with this thought: "Once you learn to read, you will be forever free." Frederick Douglas

Until next month – Dale

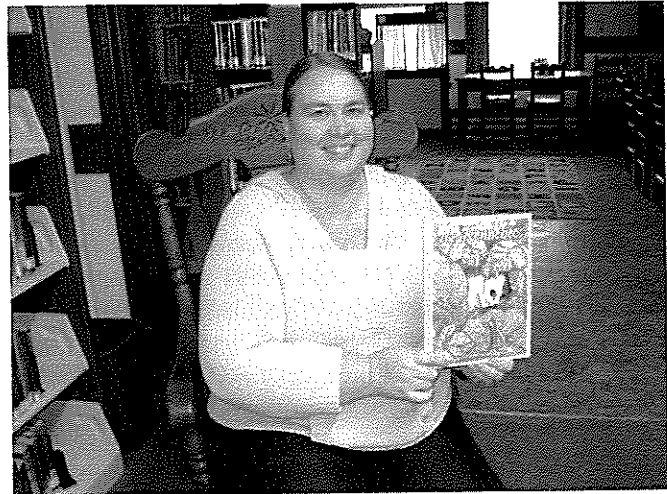
CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

October has certainly been a busy month in the Children's Library. We had a visit from local author Barbara Winslow and local illustrator Tammi Galbraith. The two of them have collaborated on a great story called The Kennebec Is Rising. Ms. Winslow read her book and Ms. Galbraith showed us how she did the illustrations. The group enjoyed hearing the story and asking questions about the real life events and people who inspired the story. If you are interested in the story, we now have a copy here at our library that can be checked out!

And we have certainly had some excitement involving Halloween. Our Family Story Hour was a Costume Party and then we also had our third annual Halloween "Crafter"noon. Lots of giggles, costumes, candy, and hopefully memories abounded that day!

If you've been in the library lately and have taken a peek at our children's non-fiction section, you will have noticed some changes. We are still in the "renovating" stages of this project but we hope to have it all finished and newly organized by Spring. Once the new system is set in place our hope is that the kids will be able to have more browsing power and more independence as the non-fiction will be grouped by subject heading and color-coded. Our youngest patrons should be able to find what they need at a glance instead of trying to remember what the Dewey Decimal number for a certain subject would be. So far, we have already noticed that the kids are utilizing the "new" system easily and more frequently than the old.



Miss Angie holds a copy of The Kennebec Is Rising written by Barbara Winslow and illustrated by Tammi Galbraith.

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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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



Holiday Stroll Christmas Bazaar

Pictured above are some of the wonderful boxes filled with Christmas items that will be on sale at the Holiday Bazaar on Dec. 5 and 6. If you would like to get a head start on your selection, contact Pat Dickey at 431 2328.

INVITATION

To All Library Patrons & Friends
Ages 1 to 100!

Join the fun of making a Christmas tree ornament to help decorate the Library Tree at the Redington Memorial Home this year.

Bags of "beautiful stuff" to stimulate your creativity are available at the library. Please bring your completed ornament back to the library on or before November 18th.

THANK YOU!

Holiday Stroll Parade

The annual Holiday Stroll Parade will take place on Friday, December 5th at 7 PM. Come and show your support for the library by marching behind the Library banner. Check with Dale, Françoise or Angie for details.

NEW BOOKS

FICTION

Alexander, Tasha/ *The Counterfeit Heiress*
 Chamberlain, Diane/ *The Silent Sister*
 Childs, Laura/ *Gossamer Ghost*
 Coulter, Catherine/ *The Lost Key*
 Dams, Jeanne/ *Day of Vengeance*
 Gerritsen, Tess/ *Under the Knife*
 Hilderbrand, Elin/ *Winter Street*
 Johansen, Iris/ *The Perfect Witness*
 Krentz, Jayne Ann/ *The Ties That Bind*
 Mallery, Susan/ *The Christmas Wedding Ring*
 Palmer, Diana/ *A Husband for Christmas*
 Patterson, James/ *Burn*
 Patterson, James/ *Private Down Under*
 Picoult, Jodi/ *Leaving Time*
 Reichs, Kathy/ *Bones Never Die*
 Sandford, John/ *Deadline*
 Woods, Sherry/ *The Christmas Bouquet*
 Woods, Stuart/ *Paris Match*
 Woodsmall, Cindy/ *A Love Undone*

NON-FICTION

Golembesky, Michael/ *Level Zero Heroes*

New & Renewed FOL Members

Debra and Melvin Burnham
 Roberta Knowles
 Claire and Christopher Perkins
 GFWC Semper Fidelis Club
 The Govoni Family
 Marjorie and Ralph Black
 Pamela and David McDermott
 Diane and Thomas Crowley
 Rhonda Daggett
 Peter Mills and Family
 Patricia and Samuel Horine
 Hilma Millett
 Anna Court
 Sandi and Walter Hight
 Rod's Cycle and RV (Renee and Rod Worster)
 Peggy Lovejoy
 Daniel and Joanne Sherman
 Lance and Cecilia Bolduc
 Lynwood and Mary Hill
 Rick and Tina Anzelc
 Sylvia Richardson

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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

NOVEMBER

- Nov. 1 Luck of the Draw Auction, 9 to noon, American Legion Hall in Skowhegan
- Nov. 3 Book Group at Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6PM The movie "Dr. Strangelove"
- Nov. 4 Affordable Care Act Information program, 10 AM
- Nov. 4 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM
- Nov. 5 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30
- Nov. 5 FOL Executive Board Meeting, 4 PM
- Nov. 8 Socrates Café Discussion Group, public welcome, 11 AM to 1 PM
- Nov. 11 Library closed for Veteran's Day
- Nov. 12 Library Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM New volunteers welcome
- Nov. 13 Author Talk, Al Laiho, *The History of Hilton Hill*, 6 PM
- Nov. 18 Family Story Hour, "Gobble, Gobble!", 4:30
- Nov. 24 Toddler Time, 10:30
- Nov. 26 Library closes at 4 PM for Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- Dec. 2 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM
- Dec. 3 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 PM
- Dec. 5 Holiday Stroll Book, Bake & Craft Sale, 10AM to 5 PM
- Dec. 5 Holiday Stroll Children's Christmas Concert with Buster B & Free Children's Book Giveaway, 11 AM
- Dec. 5 Holiday Stroll Parade, 7 PM
- Dec. 6 Holiday Stroll Book, Bake & Craft Sale, 10 AM to 2 PM
- Dec. 8 Toddler Time, 10:30
- Dec. 8 Book Group at the Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6 PM Book: a James Bond novel
- Dec. 10 Library Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM New volunteers welcome
- Dec. 13 Socrates Café Discussion Group, public welcome, 11 AM to 1 PM
- Dec. 16 Family Story Hour: Christmas PJ Party, 4:30
- Dec. 20 Christmas "Craft"ernoon, 10:30 to 12:30
- Dec. 24 Library closes at 2 PM for Christmas. Library will be closed on Dec. 25, 26 and 27.
- Dec. 29 Toddler Time, 10:30