



# The Library Lookout

**September 2015**

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Library Summer Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6

## **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

I hate to say this, but summer went by way too fast. It seems like only yesterday I was planting peas, but now I'm harvesting them. I guess I shouldn't gripe; I am enjoying the fruits of my labor.

I attended the Langlais Park dedication on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Afterwards, we took a directed tour with Margi Brown. She did a good job telling us about the sculptures, and even had a little input from Mr. Langlais' younger brother. By the way, the library houses 6 of Mr. Langlais' sculptures. Stop by sometime and check them out.

We have quite a few lovely display quilts hanging in the Memorial Room this year. The Art Quilts Maine group has once again offered to display them at the library. I always look forward to them hanging on the walls each fall. Don't miss them.

The folks at the Skowhegan State Fair generously offered us booth space again this year. James Barto manned the booth for this 4<sup>th</sup> season. All proceeds from our book sale went to the renovations of the library. Our thanks to James Barto, Pat Dickey, and all other volunteers that made our booth possible.

The first meeting of the book club will be on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. David Richards will be our facilitator, and has even offered the Margaret Chase Smith Library as the venue. Our program this year from the

Maine Humanities Council, is entitled "The Gilded Age: A Tale for Today?" The first book in the series is Edith Wharton's *Age of Innocence*. This promises to be a very interesting discussion. Books are still available at the library for borrowing.

The month of September will be quite busy for the library. A lot of work will need to be done to get things ready in the basement for the September 29<sup>th</sup> Open House. Please be patient with us as we do some shifting of office furniture, computers and shelving.

I'll leave you with this thought; "In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years." Abraham Lincoln

Until Next Month – Dale

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*Lee Granville 1936 - 2015*

*A great friend of the library and of the community.  
Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lee's family.*

## CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

The Summer Reading program is over and we had our most successful year so far. Ninety-six kids signed up for the reading portion of the program. These kids read, tracked, and logged 1556 books! The library gave out 328 prizes over the course of the program, so, we definitely appreciate all the businesses and individuals who contributed to our prize box: Giffords Ice Cream, Pizza Hut Pizza, Penny Hoyt, Sandra Small, Wyatt and Seamus Luce, Paula Poulin, Lisa Marie Chang, Kristine Rinaldi, and the Skowhegan Nursery School. In addition to giving prizes for reading, we also offer 16 fun programs throughout the summer. We had 670 kids attend these programs! It was a very fun, productive and amazing summer here in the children's library!

But as it does every year, summer comes quickly to an end and kids and families are gearing up to go back to school. So much of our children's educational success comes from parent involvement and a huge piece of that is reading. Read to your children. Let your children read to you. Give them access to different types of reading materials. Bring them to the library. Make reading a part of your family's routine and it will help set your child/children up for an easier school year and an inherent love for reading. No matter what your child's interests and reading levels are, we can help get some great books in their hands!

Tween the Pages Book Club is gearing back up. The first meeting is September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 and new members are welcome to join us. This is a book club for students in grades 6 – 8 where we read, discuss, create, chat, and snack! If this sounds like something you or your children would enjoy, please call the library at 474-9072 to register today!



*Addie, Ellie and Emma had fun playing "Who Stole the Cookie from the Cookie Jar" at a recent storytime.*

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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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City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel. # \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the activities you are willing to help with.**

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

## NEW BOOKS

### FICTION

Brett, Simon/ Mrs. Pargeter's Principle  
Brown, Dale/ Iron Wolf  
Brown, Sandra/ Friction  
Diffenbaugh, Vanessa/ We Never Asked for Wings  
Du Brul, Jack/ The Lightning Stones  
Fairstein, Linda/ Devil's Bridge  
Grafton, Sue/ X  
Gregory, Philippa/ The Taming of the Queen  
Hoffman, Alice/ The Marriage of Opposites  
Kellerman, Jonathan/ The Murderer's Daughter  
Kleypas, Lisa/ Brown-Eyed Girl  
Lagercrantz, David/ The Girl in the Spider's Web  
Macomber, Debbie/ Silver Linings  
Mallery, Susan/ Thrill Me  
Maron, Margaret/ Long Upon Land  
McLain, Paula/ Circling the Sun  
Michaels, Fern/ Point Blank  
Neggers, Carla/ Keeper's Reach  
Patterson, James/ Alert  
Penny, Louise/ The Nature of the Beast  
Robards, Karen/ The Last Time We Saw Her  
Tannenbaum, Robert/ Trap  
Weiner, Jennifer/ Who Do You Love  
Wiggs, Susan/ Starlight on Willow Lake



*Semper Fidelis President, Dot LaCasse presents Pat Dickey with a check for \$500 towards the Elevator Addition*

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### BREWERY NIGHT

Saturday, September 19th, 5 to 7 PM at the **Bigelow Brewery** on Bigelow Hill  
Tickets: \$10 each  
(Each ticket holder will receive four sample beers plus appetizers.)  
Presenting a new beer conceived by Lynda Quinn and produced by Jeff Powers of Bigelow Brewery.  
All proceeds for the Library Elevator Project.

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### LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE

to celebrate the completion of the Basement Rooms  
Tuesday, September 29th, 6 to 8 PM  
Come and see the finished Genealogy Room, Meeting Room, Computer Work Area, Kitchenette, ADA bathrooms, & Janitor's Closet.

Music provided by the Foxwells  
Refreshments will be served.

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### PAINT NIGHT

Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>  
Session I: 3 to 5 PM Session II: 6 to 8 PM  
All materials provided.  
Fee: \$40  
Registration required: Please call the Library at 474 9072

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*Library table at River Fest Craft Fair*

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### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEW & RENEWED MEMBERS

Constance Connell  
David Richards  
Violet Ferland

## **The Library Lookout**

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### **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

## SEPTEMBER

Sept. 1 Library Trustee Meeting, 6 PM  
Sept. 2 Tween the Pages Book Club (for students in grades 6 – 8), 4:00 to 5:30  
Sept. 2 Library Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM  
Sept. 7 Library closed for Labor Day  
Sept. 8 Meet with a representative from Senator King's Office, 10 to 12  
Sept. 14 Toddler Time, 10:30  
Sept. 14 First monthly book club meeting at the Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6 PM  
Sept. 15 Family Story Hour: Blueberries for Sal  
Sept. 19 Brewery Night at Bigelow Brewery, 5 to 7  
Sept. 28 Toddler Time, 10:30  
Sept. 29 Open House to showcase the completed basement renovations, 6 to 8 PM

## OCTOBER

Oct. 3 Saturday hours begin again, 10 AM to 2 PM  
Oct. 5 Book Club at Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6 PM  
Oct. 6 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM  
Oct. 7 Maine Association of Retirees Meeting, 11 AM to 12:30 PM  
Oct. 7 Library Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM  
Oct. 7 Tween the Pages, 4:00 to 5:30  
Oct. 12 Library closed for Columbus Day  
Oct. 17 Paint Night Session I: 3 to 5 PM, Session II: 6 to 8 PM. Registration required.  
Oct. 20 Family Story Hour: Spooky Stories, 4:30  
Oct. 26 Toddler Time, 10:30