



The Library Lookout

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LATEST NEWS

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Quick! Mark Your Calendars!

On October 19th, the Friends will present the third in a series of plays featuring the citizens of Tranquillity Falls, Maine. Mark your calendars and order your tickets now if you like humorous murder mysteries. That's right. There is another murder and it will be solved when we see Tranquillity Falls at Sea.

No small part of the evening's entertainment will be seeing ten of Skowhegan's citizens acting in a different manner than they would in their every day lives. The cast consists of Rick Bonneau, Carla Burnham, Norman Dickey, Iver Lofving, Elton (Mickey) Powers, Janet Powers, Lynda Quinn, Mary Stuart, Jim Wright and Veronica Wright.

The play will take place in the Fellowship Hall of the Centenary Methodist Church at 7:00 p.m. on October 19, 2001. Not only will you enjoy guessing "who done it" after the second act, but you will also have dessert and the opportunity of winning one of many door prizes.

Seating is limited, so get your tickets (\$7.50 each) early. They are available at the Library or through calling Marcia Granville at 474-7207, Corilla Hastings at 474-3949, or Sharon Worthly at 634-5030. You may leave a message on either of the phones and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Don't forget to see Tranquillity Falls at Sea on October 19th. You'll be glad you did.

Art Exhibit in October

Priscilla Graf Riley's Art Exhibit Skowhegan art teacher, Priscilla Graf Riley will have an exhibit of her work at the Library from October 11 through 25. In addition, the Friends will host a print signing for Priscilla on Saturday, October 13 from 10 AM until 2 PM. Be sure to stop in and admire the work of this talented artist.

November 14 FOL Meeting Program

"Who, Where, When, What Says So?" will be the title of a talk on genealogy when the Friends meet on Wednesday, November 14 at 7 PM at the Library. The speaker will be Ann Thomas who has been doing genealogy since 1967. She is a member of the Maine Historical Society, Maine

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Genealogical Society, Life Member of Kennebec Historical Society, and has served as a governor-appointed member of the Maine State Archives Advisory Board since 1986. We look forward to Ann's program and invite all people interested in this subject to attend. It promises to be a very informative evening.



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October 26 Halloween Party

An hour of Halloween fun will be presented at the Library by the Friends on Friday, October 26 from 4 to 5 PM. Plans are underway for games, competitions, crafts and refreshments. This event will be suitable for all ages. No scary sights or sounds will be included, so the very young as well as school-age children should feel comfortable attending. Costumes are optional, but we prefer that spooky masks remain at home.

September Work Session

Our hard-working chair of the Weeding/Cleaning committee, Mary Stuart, organized a work session

on September 22. Three hours of cleaning left the upstairs with the spicy scent of lemon oil. Thank you, Mary!

VOLUNTEERS: Are you ready to join us for the next cleaning party? Please contact Mary or our Volunteer Coordinator, Kathy Hughes.

Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour

Thanks to Marcia Granville's donation of a tape player, we are now able to use children's tapes for songs and rhythms during the weekly story hour. "Peanut Butter and Jelly" by Hugh Hanley seems to be the current favorite of both Mrs. Moody and the story-time participants. We invite children of all ages to join the fun at 10 o'clock every Wednesday morning.

Jim Foster New FOML President

Jim Foster, the Vice President of the Friends of Skowhegan Free Public Library, was elected President of the Friends of Maine Libraries (FOML) at the September 28 Annual Conference. His term will run for two years, 2002-2003.

Jim was previously a Board member representing friends groups in the Central Maine Library District, and edits the FOML newsletter.



Book Reviews

Toxin
by Robin Cook

As usual, Mr. Cook writes a spellbinding story that involves the medical profession in some fashion.

In *Toxin* cardiologist's daughter eats a contaminated hamburger and becomes ill. You'll have to read the book to find out what happens next. (I had a hard time putting it down.)

In the meantime, if your burger is pink in the middle *do not* eat it.

And write to your congressman about putting independent inspection agencies in the meat packing plants. The USDA is too easily swayed by agricultural lobbyists.

— Marcia Granville

The Last Precinct
by Patricia Cornwel

The *Miami Herald* wrote a review of this latest book that says it all "The most unexpected of the Kay Scarpetta novels so far.

. . . *The Last Precinct* unfolds deliberately, keeping you in the dark along with Scarpetta so that when the revelations dawn, you're almost reeling. too.

The overwhelming feeling, though, is that Cornwell has the series on the verge of spinning off in a thrilling new direction.

The Last Precinct may just be a terrific first step toward something even more exhilarating."

— Marcia Granville

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| CHILDREN | 3-5:30 | 10-5:30 | 10-5:30 | 3-5:30 | 3-5:30 | 10-2 |

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. individuals, \$8. Seniors & Students, and \$15. for families. We normally meet at the Library the second Wednesday of every other month, unless scheduling conflicts require another date. For more information, call Corrilla Hastings (474-3949).

Please complete this form and mail to Kathy Hughes, RR1, Box 2760, Skowhegan, Me 04976. Welcome.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 11-25** Art Exhibit, Priscilla Graf Riley. At the Library during regular hours.
- October 13** Print Signing, Priscilla Graf Riley. 10-2 at the Library.
- October 17** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- October 19** TRANQUILLITY FALLS AT SEA. Play at Centenary United Methodist Church, 7:00 p.m., Friends fundraiser. See p. 1 for details.
- October 24** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- October 26** Halloween Party, 4:00-5:00 at the Library. See p. 2 for details
- October 31** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- November 6** Library Trustees Meeting, Open to public, 4:00 p.m.
- November 7** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- November 14** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- November 14** Friends of the Library Meeting, 7:00 pm at the Library. Program on Genealogy, See p. 1 for details.
- November 21** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room
- November 28** Wednesday Morning Story and Craft Hour, 10:00 in the Children's Room



Your Librarians Are:

Francoise Labonte,
Lois Moody
and Thelma Butler

Your Library Trustees Are:

Bill Laney, Warren Shay,
Mary Davies, Betsy Hall,
Kathy Dorko,
Toni Jo Blaisdell and
Rick Anzelc

Friends Officers Are:

Corilla Hastings, Pres.;
Jim Foster, V.P.,
Marcia Granville, Sec.
and Kathy Hughes, Treas.

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