



# The Library Lookout

November 2016

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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri., 10–6

Sat.. 10-2

## DIRECTOR'S CORNER

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

We met our \$5,000 challenge in October – How Great Is That! 5 generous donors said “I’ll give \$1,000 to the library renovations so that they can receive a matching donation of \$5,000.” Our thanks go out to you for your generosity. Because of this, another anonymous donor has said that they will give \$5,000 toward the renovations if we can get \$1,000 matching donations from 5 other donors. Can You Help? This would give us \$20,000 toward the renovations in only 2 months! We need you to “step up to the plate” and help the library. If this is the only donation you make this year, how about it being us!

The library showed two films this month. The first, from Skowhegan’s own film star, Iver Lofing, packed the memorial room. “Peak Oil; a love story” was well received by the audience. Many folks stayed over and congratulated Iver on a job well done.

The second movie was also well received by the community. “The Hungry Heart,” a movie about drug addiction, was sponsored by State Representative Jeff McCabe. Many local folks came out for the movie, and a lively discussion followed.

In case you’ve forgotten, we’re now open on Saturdays from 10-2. Our winter hours go from the first Saturday in October, to about mid May. Just a reminder; if the

weather looks bad call us, or check our webpage or Facebook page to see if we’re open.

Artist Kevin James art work is on display in the basement level of the library. Many of Kevin’s best works are on display, and for sale. An open house will be held for Kevin on Thursday, November 3rd at 6pm. There is no charge for this event. Snacks and music will also be provided.

Make sure you stop by our goodies table at the Skowhegan Municipal Building on election day. We’ll be selling lots of delicious treats for you to take home, at reasonable prices. All proceeds to benefit the library renovations.

Just a reminder: the library will be closed on November 11th in honor of our veterans. It will also close at 2 pm on November 23rd, and be closed for Thanksgiving, November 24th.

I’ll leave you with this thought:  
*“Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment”* - Jim Rohn

Until next month – Dale



## CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Children's Librarian

Autumn is my favorite time of year, but unfortunately in Maine, you blink and it is over. The beautiful gold and red hues don't last long before we are raking them up into piles. I don't know about you, but as the days get colder and the nights get longer, I tend to spend more time reading. Reading can be a very expensive habit. Hardcover books are nearly \$20 apiece. If you buy and read just one book per month, you are looking at \$240 per year—and that is just for one person. For families, the library is a perfect solution. You can come here and borrow books, DVDs, magazines and newspapers all for free. If you don't have a library card, you should, because nothing is easier on your budget, than free!

October seems to always be a popular month for the area schools to come do a field trip at the library. We had two third grade classes from Bloomfield, two fourth grade classes from Margaret Chase Smith, and a homeschool group, come out for a tour and a scavenger hunt that enabled them to explore and learn about the library. We encourage field trips as many of these kids don't know what the library is like or how it can be a resource to them and their families.

We also had a nice size group of high school students in the library for an after hours Halloween party. The teens had a costume contest and solved a murder mystery. For the next Teen Regression Session, we will be celebrating the winter holidays with an ugly sweater contest, mug painting, and of course yummy food. This will be on Friday, December 9th from 6:00 – 8:30 and anyone interested must register with Ms. Angie.

Next month's Family Story Hour, however, is going to be a real "hairy" adventure and I "mustache" you to be ready for a silly story or two. So "shave" the date-- November 15th at 4:30!



*High Schoolers at the October Teen Regression Session - all ready for Halloween*

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### Wish List for Children's Room

White cardstock  
Tissues  
Clorox wipes

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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

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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

## NOVEMBER CHALLENGE

The \$5,000 October matching challenge was met with generous contributions from five library patrons! THANK YOU!

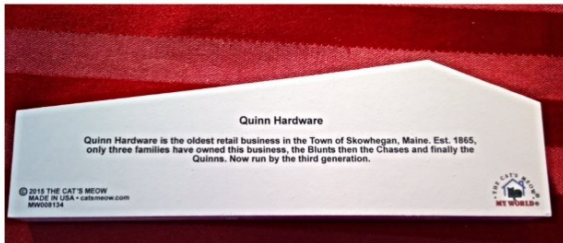
Now a second matching grant has been offered by another anonymous library patron. This generous person will also contribute a total of \$5,000 if five other donors will donate \$1,000 each during the month of November with the resulting \$10,000 to go towards the cost of the elevator addition.

## FOL NEWS

The Friends are planning a busy year ahead. The three fundraisers for 2017 will be the Library Lunch project, the golf tournament and the Bigelow Hill Brewery event.

David James has been invited to become a member of the Executive Board and will attend the meeting on November 9.

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Still available: Quinn Hardware/Cats Meow  
Price: \$20

All proceeds to benefit "Elevator Project"  
Contact Pat Dickey at 474 2769 or 431 2328

## NEW BOOKS

### FICTION

Boyle, T.C./*The Terranauts*  
Brown, Rita Mae/ *Cakewalk*  
Durst-Benning, Petra/ *The American Lady*  
Durst-Benning, Petra/ *The Glass Blower*  
Durst-Benning, Petra/ *The Paradise of Glass*  
Eisler, Barry/ *Livia Lone*  
Fisher, Suzanne Woods/ *The Quieting*  
Flagg, Fannie/ *The Whole Town's Talking*  
Flynn, Vince/ *Order to Kill*  
Graham, Heather/ *An Angel's Touch*  
Grisham, John/ *The Whistler*  
Hansen, Ron/ *The Kid*  
Hilton, Laura V./ *The Amish Firefighter*  
Jin, Ha/ *The Boat Rocker*  
Johnsen, Iris/ *Night Watch*  
Kingsbury, Karen/ *Baxter Family Christmas*  
Luceno, James/ *Catalyst*  
Macomber, Debbie/ *Twelve Days of Christmas*  
Michaels, Fern/ *The Most Wonderful Time*  
Moyes, Jo Jo/ *Paris for One*  
O'Brien, Edna/ *The Little Red Chairs (LP)*  
Patterson, James/ *Missing*  
Picoult, Jodi/ *Small Great Things*  
Preston, Douglas/ *The Obsidian Chamber*  
Sandford, John/ *Escape Clause*  
Smith, Alexander McCall/ *Precious and Grace*  
Smith, Martin Cruz/ *The Girl from Venice*  
Smith, Wilbur/ *Pharaoh: A Novel of Ancient Egypt*  
Sparks, Nicholas/ *Two by Two*  
Taylor, Patrick/ *An Irish Country Love Story*  
Unger, Lisa/ *Ink and Bone (LP)*  
Webb, Heather/ *Becoming Josephine*  
White, Randy/ *Seduced*  
Woods, Stuart/ *Sex, Lies and Serious Money*

### NON-FICTION

Matthews, Carl/ *The Feather Merchant*

## NEW & RENEWED FOL MEMBERS

Dan & Jody Sherman

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## BAKERS NEEDED

### November 8, 1 to 8 PM Election Day Bake Sale

Please leave food items wrapped and labeled at the Library by noon on Nov. 8.

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## GIFT ITEMS & BAKED GOODS NEEDED

### December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Holiday Bazaar.

Gift items, crafts and baked goods will be welcome for the annual Holiday Bazaar.

## **The Library Lookout**

**9 Elm Street**

**Skowhegan, ME 04976**

### **Library Staff**

Library Director: Dale Jandreau  
Children's Librarian: Angie Herrick  
Library Assistants: Francoise LaBonte  
Tanya Folsom

### **Library Trustees:**

Toni Jo Blaisdell,  
Corrilla Hastings, Carol Jarvais,  
Hannah Luce, Lynn Perry,  
Lynda Quinn, Warren Shay  
Ex Officio: FOL Chair

### **Friends officers:**

Co Chairs: Margo Reid and Jeanne Shay  
Tracey Brown, sec. Kathleen Littlefield, treas.

## **Calendar of Events**

Story Time: Every Wednesday, 10 AM

### **NOVEMBER**

Nov. 1 Library Trustees Meeting, 6 PM  
Nov. 2 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30  
Nov. 3 Transition Skowhegan discussion group, 6 PM  
Nov. 3 Open House for Artist Kevin James, 6 PM  
Nov. 8 Election Day Bake Sale, 1 to 8 PM at the Skowhegan Municipal Building  
Nov. 8 Lego Club Jr., 3:15 – 4:15  
Nov. 8 Lego Club, 4:30 – 5:30  
Nov. 9 Library Renovation Committee meeting, 4 PM  
Nov. 9 FOL Executive Board meeting, 4 PM  
Nov. 11 Library closed for Veterans Day  
Nov. 12 Socrates Cafe discussion group, 11 AM – 1 PM  
Nov. 14 Let's Talk About It book club, 6 PM at the Margaret Chase Smith Library  
Nov. 15 Family Story Hour: No-shave November, 4:30 to 5:30  
Nov. 23 Library closes at 2 PM  
Nov. 24 Library closed for Thanksgiving

### **DECEMBER**

Dec. 1 Transition Skowhegan, 6 PM  
Dec. 2 & 3 Holiday Bazaar, 10 to 6 on Friday, 10 to 2 on Saturday  
Dec. 3 Author visit from Canaan York and Free book giveaway, 11 to 12:30  
Dec. 6 Library Trustee Meeting, 6 PM  
Dec. 7 Tween the Pages Book Club, 4 to 5:30  
Dec. 9 Teen Regression Session, 6 to 8:30. Must be a high school student and registration is required.  
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Dec. 20 Family Story Hour, 4:30 to 5:30  
Dec. 24, 25 & 26 Library Closed  
Dec. 28 No Storytime