



# The Library Lookout

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## Wish List

Dr. Seuss books need to be replaced. There are many titles. Let's get the ball rolling.

Your name as the giver will be inscribed in the book.



## Popular Selections

### Fiction:

*Tara Road* Binchy  
*The Testament* Grisham  
*What's Heaven?* Shriver  
*A Sudden Change of Heart* Bradford

### Non-Fiction:

*Lindberg* Berg  
*The Greatest Generation* Brokaw  
*Bella Tuscani* Mayes  
*Making Peace* Mitchell

### Children:

Coming Soon from DK Books for Children:

*Rocks & Minerals*  
*Weather*  
*Amazing Facts*  
*101 Science Experiments*  
*20th Century*  
*Celebrations*  
*Jobs People Do*  
*How Children Lived*  
*Knights and Castles*

## LATEST NEWS

Compiled by Mary Davies and Jim Foster

In August we will begin our membership campaign. Please invite your friends and family to join this good cause. If you have names for our list, please call us. We also need your help. If you have time to help on any committees, we would be grateful. Many hands make light work.



Please note that the last two classes in our current Computer Class Series will be held from 4-5:30 rather than from 7-8, due to the changeover to Summer hours in the Library. The dates are the same.

Thanks to Thelma Butler, the children's room has been given an ink jet color printer.

On Tuesday mornings Cathy Hughes is volunteering in the children's room. She is a librarian and is helping Lois Moody organize the collection. It's wonderful to see the amount of time and expertise volunteers donate to help revitalize the library.

Jeff Huett, Jim Foster, Corrilla & Jim Hastings and Mary Davies met one muggy afternoon and placed computer tables under 4 computers. Now, it will be more comfortable for users. 2 printers were installed on the main floor.

The library will, once again, join in the Log Day parade on Sat. July 31, with a float with children dressed in storybook costume. If your child is interested in joining the fun, please call Corrilla at 474-3949

### Spark

means Stimulating Programs and Resources for Kids, It is a resource for children's librarians from the Central Maine Library District. On May 20, Lois Moody hosted the group. Librarians attended from Oakland, Rumford, Pittsfield, Monmouth and Gardiner. The discussion, led by Bonnie Dwyer,



## Fine Words

Here's an oldie but goodie for July:

# THE FLAG GOES BY

Henry Holcomb Bennett

Hats off!

Along the street there comes  
a blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,  
A flash of color beneath the sky:

Hats off!

The Flag is passing by.  
Blue and crimson and white it shines,  
Over the steel-tipped ordered lines.

Hats off!

The colors before us fly,  
But more than the flag is passing by.

Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great,  
fought to make and save the State:  
weary marches and sinking ships;  
Cheers of victory on dying lips.

Days of plenty and years of peace;  
March of a strong land's swift increase;  
equal justice, right, and law,  
stately honor and reverend awe.

Sign of a nation, great and strong  
Toward her people from foreign wrong:  
Pride and glory and honor,—all  
Live in the colors to stand or fall.

Hats off!

Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums;  
And loyal hearts are beating high:

Hats off

The Flag is passing by!

Thanks to Jim Foster for his wonderful poem. Many people called to tell me they had read it to friends at dinner and card parties. I E-mailed it to my granddaughter and she's now writing a poem too. Poetry inspires, even when it's light and fun.

In August we'd like to publish a poem about Skowhegan. Does anyone have all the words to the original high school song "Shades of Locke and Wyman"? Please call me at 474-7446 or E-mail [davies@wworx.net](mailto:davies@wworx.net).

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District Consultant, was "The Latchkey Challenge: Coping with Unattended Children in the Library". Skowhegan attendees were Helen Shaw and Friends members Cathy Hughes and Corilla Hastings. Future bimonthly meetings will be held in Bath, Rumford, Monmouth, Wiscasset and Pittsfield and will discuss: Reference materials for children's library collections, Materials to coordinate with school assignments, Internet problems and policies, Readers in grade 5 and up and Below average readers.

The Friends of the Library wish to thank Carol Jarvais, recently retired from the Bloomfield Trustees Library Committee. Carol worked hard preparing renovation plans for the architect. She spent hours measuring floors, counting supplies, listing priorities, being the Trustee liason at Tri meetings and improving the library. She is a true volunteer and her sense of service to the community is a model for us all.





**The Friends of the Skowhegan Public Library  
&  
The Kennebec Valley Computer Society**



are holding a series of **FREE** classes at the Skowhegan Free Public Library on the following topics:

- Computer Basics
- The Windows 95/98 Operating System
- Using Your Computer
- The Internet
- Resources Available Online
- File Formats & the Programs that Love Them

The classes are held the first and third Thursday of each month. The current series began on May 6. They will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Library. Additional classes, or day classes, can be arranged if there is sufficient interest. Join the series in progress, or sign up for the next series.

For more information call Jim Foster at 474-2589, or send e-mail to [jfoster@somtel.com](mailto:jfoster@somtel.com)

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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. 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 Corilla Hastings (474-3949) or Mary Davies (474-7446).

Please complete this form and mail to Hilma Millett, P.O. Box 215, Skowhegan, Me 04976. Welcome.

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**SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
ADULTS	1-5	10-6:30	10-6:30	1-5:30	1-7:30	10-2
CHILDREN	1-5	10-6:30	10-6:30	1-5:30	1-5:30	10-2

## Summer Programs



The **Summer Reading Program** has begun, and will continue to **August 6**.

Children are invited to read and give written or oral book reports on twelve books during the six week period. Books may be at the child's reading level. This is an easy one. The shortest one ever. You kids can do it. At the end of the program, finalists will be treated to cake, ice cream and miniature golf.

Children of all ages will meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons for the following presentations:

### July



- 7 **LIVING TREASURES FROM THE SEA** .. Kristen Rinaldi
- 14 **FASCINATING MAMMALS...** Somerset Extension
- 21 **DISCOVERING POND LIFE.....** Warren Balgooyen
- 28 **A MAGIC SHOW.....** Joe Scozzafava



### August



- 4 **PUPPET MAKING....** Kathy Dorko
- 11 **TOUR OF HISTORY HOUSE.....** Friends of the Library  
followed by games and refreshments from the 1850's



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**Friends of the Skowhegan  
Free Public Library**  
c/o Skowhegan Free Public Library  
Elm Street  
Skowhegan, ME 04878

#### Your Librarians Are:

Helen Shaw,  
Francoise Labonte,  
Lois Moody  
and Thelma Butler

#### Your Library Trustees Are:

Warren Shay, Carol Jarvais,  
Betsey Hall, Kathy Dorko,  
Toni Jo Blaisdell and  
Rick Anzels

#### Friends Officers Are:

Jim Hastings, Pres. ;  
Mary Davies, V.P.,  
Marcia Granville, Sec. and Hilma  
Millett, Treas.