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Library Winter Hours: Mon.–Fri.,10–6 Sat. - 10-2

#### **DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

By your Director, Dale Jandreau

I think Charles Dickens had it right when he said in his book *Great Expectations* that "It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold; when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade." Sounds like a perfect description of a month we normally can't wait to get through. Don't let the time go by this month without visiting the library. We have books, audiobooks and videos to suit just about anyone.

We still have some room in our craft classes with Billie Sherman. Just give the library a call at 474-9072 to sign up. Come join the fun with a great bunch of crafters.

Please be patient with us if you're asked at the Circulation Desk for your mailing address or telephone number. Beginning at the first of the year, patron's library cards begin to expire. Well, they don't technically expire - we just set it up that way so we can check to see if you've changed your information. Having them expire each year is a simple way to keep your card info up to date if we need to contact you. Thanks for your help.

Bring your sweet tooth to the library on March 2nd from 10am to 6pm. The Library Friends will have great tasting

# The Library Lookout

**March 2018** 

goodies to tempt you with. Bring your billfold and indulge a little. All proceeds will benefit our wonderful Library Friends group.

Don't forget to check our Facebook page or webpage for all the latest happenings at the library. We always try to keep our postings current.

What's the library staff reading this month you may ask? Well here's what's captured our interest: David Silva's House of Spies, The Rise and Fall of DODO by Neal Stevenson, The Librarian of Auschwitz by Dita Kraus, and last but not least, Act of Revenge by Dale Brown.

How about letting us know what you're reading? Drop us an email at skowlib@skowhegan.lib.me.us and tell us what book has your attention. We'll list it in next month's Library Lookout (please let us know if you want your name listed too or not).

Take care, we'll see you next month - Dale



Upstairs bathroom improvements underway!

#### CHILDREN'S ROOM

By Angie Herrick, Youth Services Librarian

Earlier this month, the 2018 Youth Media Awards were announced. The Newbery Award was given to Hello, Universe written by Erin Entrada Kelly, the Caldecott Award was given to Wolf in the Snow, illustrated and written by Matthew Cordell, and the Printz Award was given to We Are Okay written by Nina LaCour. One of the winners that I am most excited about was Lucky Broken Girl written by Ruth Behar, which was awarded the Pura Belpré Award (a book honoring Latino writers and illustrators who affirm and celebrate the Latino cultural experience). This is the book that our Tween the Pages Book Club is reading for March and the library has been working with Ellen from the Children's Book Cellar in Waterville to get Ms. Behar to our library for a book talk. The time and date are still in the works, but please check our Facebook Page soon to see when this amazing author will be visiting. These books and other winners and honor books have been purchased for our library.

February was an exciting month in the children's library. We had Game Show Night with the High Schoolers, Lego Building, a visit from LC Bates when we learned about bugs, book club meeting, lots of storytimes, and an extremely icky sticky fun day making slime. It was so popular that we already decided to put it on the calendar again for April vacation.

Even though we are not quite to spring yet, in the Children's Library we are busy thinking about summer—the Summer Reading Program to be exact. Many fun programs and activities have already been booked! In years past, parents and community members have asked if there is any way they can help with this fun and educational program. The answer is YES! We are very, very short on prizes to award the kids who fulfill their reading goals, so we are asking for help to restock our prize box. Some examples of what we have given away are: matchbox cars, chalk, balls, jump ropes, water bottles, Lego mini figures, small craft kits, glow sticks, packages of markers or crayons, water guns, silly putty, water snakes, puzzles, costume jewelry, etc. We only also ask that everything donated is new. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Miss Angie in the Children's Library. A second way to help is to support our Friends of the Library fundraisers. Most years, the Friends of the

Library sponsor the summer reading program's weekly activities. Supporting them helps them support the fun summer programs.



Ari making a batch of slime during Slime Time at the Library.

#### **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.

Please complete this form and mail to: Skowhegan Free Public Library, 9 Elm Street, 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

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FUNDRAISERS

FIRST FRIDAY SWEET TREATS: Friday, March 2, 10 AM to 6 PM at the Library. Homemade treats will be for sale.

#### LIBRARY LUNCHES: Friday, April 13.

This is the annual fundraiser that so many businesses and individuals in town look forward to each year. Volunteers take orders ahead of time for delicious bag lunches containing: sandwiches of your choice, apple, homemade cookies or bars and drink. These lunches will be delivered on Friday, April 13.

Remember! Individuals may order their lunches at the Library where they may pick them up at noon on the day of the sale.

This fundraiser requires lots of volunteers: people to take orders ahead of time, bakers, sandwich makers, and delivery people. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Jeanne Shay.

### **ANNUAL LAWN SALE**: May 18 & 19 at the Hastings' barn on the Malbons Mills Rd.

Another annual event is this sale scheduled as part of the well-known 10-mile lawn sale. We're looking for anything such as toys, furniture, household items, tools, sports equipment, craft materials, puzzles, games, etc. Donations may be left off at the barn any time.(Please call first at 474 3949)

Again, volunteers will be welcome to sort, price, and sell. Please contact Corrilla Hastings if you want to join the fun!



#### **NEW BOOKS**

#### **FICTION**

Beaton, M.C./ Death of an Honest Man Bloom, Amy/ White Houses Bradford, Barbara Taylor/ Secrets of Cavendon (LP) Brown, Rita Mae/ Crazy Like a Fox (LP) Fielding, Joy/ The Bad Daughter Fluke, Joanne/ Raspberry Danish Murder Gardner, Lisa/ Look for Me Grippando, James/ A Death in Live Oak Grippando, James/ A Death in Live Oak (Audio Book) Hannah, Kristin/ The Great Alone Kellerman, Jonathan/ Night Moves Kinsella, Sophie/ Surprise Me Lescroart, John/ Poison Lewis, Beverly/ The Wish Lippman, Laura/ Sunburn Meissner, Susan/ As Bright as Heaven Mosley, Walter/ Down the River Unto the Sea Oates, Joyce Carol/ Beautiful Days O'Loughlin, Ann/ The Judge's Wife Patterson, James/ Hidden (Book Shot) Patterson, James/ Fifty Fifty Rivers, Francine/ The Masterpiece Shapero, Rich/ Arms from the Sea Smith, Zadie/ Feel Free Sullivan, Mark/ Beneath a Scarlet Sky Sweterlitsch, Tom/ The Gone World Todd, Charles/ The Gate Keeper

#### NON FICTION

Ikhi, Lee/ I've Decided to Live 120 Years Wolff, Michael/ Fire and Fury

#### **BOTTLES & CANS REFUNDS**

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Please take your cans to EMTEEZ and tell the clerk to "keep the money for the library!" (Or make the returns elsewhere and leave the money at the library.)

## The Library Lookout 9 Elm Street

#### Skowhegan, ME 04976

#### **Library Staff**

Library Director: Dale Jandreau Youth Services Librarian: Angie Herrick Library Assistants: Francoise LaBonte, Breanna Bussell & Josie Pease

#### **Your Library Trustees:**

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

#### Friends officers:

Chair: Bonnie Chamberlain Tracey Brown, sec. David James, treas.

#### Calendar of Events

Story Time: Every Wednesday, 10:15 AM

MARCH March 2 First Friday Sweet Treats fundraiser, 10 AM - 6 PM March 6 Library Trustee meeting, 6 PM March 7 Tween the Pages, 4 PM (for students in grades 6-8)
March 8 Ribbon crafts with Billie Sherman, 10 AM - noon March 10 Socrates Cafe discussion group, 11 AM to 1 PM March 13 Lego Club Jr. at 3:15 (for students in grades 1-3) March 13 Lego Club at 4:30 (for students in grades 4-6) March 14 Friends of the Library board meeting, 4 PM March 20 Let's Talk About It book club, 6 PM at Margaret Chase Smith Library March 22 Ribbon crafts with Billie Sherman, 10 AM - noon **APRIL** April 3 Library Trustee meeting, 6 PM April 4 Tween the Pages, 4 PM April 10 Lego Club Jr. at 3:15 (for students in grades 1-3) April 10 Lego Club at 4:30 (for students in grades 4-6) April 12 Billie Sherman Craft Class, fused glass, 10 AM - noon April 13 Library Lunch sale deliveries April 13 High School Regression Session 6-8:30 (must pre-register with Angie) April 14 Socrates Cafe discussion group, 11 AM – 1 PM April 16 Library closed for Patriot's Day April 17 Book Club at Margaret Chase Smith Library, 6 PM April 20 Billie Sherman Craft Class, fused glass part 2, 10 AM - noon