



# CHECK IT OUT

The newsletter of the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine



**MAY  
2017**



The library will be  
**CLOSED**  
**SAT, MAY 27th-**  
**MON, MAY 29th**  
for the  
**Memorial Day**  
weekend



See our new **calendar  
of events**... page 4!

## Art Display

May 1 -  
July 31

Artwork by  
Kimball Drew



**Exhibit Case**  
May 1 -  
July 31  
**Boba Fett**  
by **John Cressey**

For more information about our  
**Exhibit Case or Art Displays:**  
[www.windham.lib.me.us/ondisplay](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/ondisplay)

Author  
Talk



**Mary Lawrence**  
**Wednesday, May 10th**  
**6-7pm**

Mary Lawrence is the author of the Bianca Goddard Mysteries which are set in Tudor London in the final years of Henry VIII's reign. Book 1, "The Alchemist's daughter," was released in April, 2015 and was followed by book 2, "Death of an alchemist" in 2016. Book 3, "Death at St. Vedast," came out in January of 2017. Books will be on hand for purchase; signing will be available. Space is limited. Please register with Barbara: 207-892-1908.



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## Director's Note:



By now you've probably heard the news that we have been awarded a \$30,000 (!) grant from the **Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation**. This grant, along with other funds from the generosity of local banks (**Norway Savings, Mechanic Savings, Gorham Savings, & Evergreen Credit Union**), our **Friends of Windham Public Library**

group, the **Davis Family Foundation**, and the **Town of Windham Capital Improvement Program**, will help us complete a reconfiguration of our circulation desks. The project will combine our two circulation desks into one large circulation area on the first floor where all library items will be checked out or returned. This will add efficiency and improve access for our patrons. Other benefits of the reconfiguration will be two additional meeting/study rooms, a quiet computer/reading room, and a larger teen area. We look forward to getting this project started in the late summer/early fall and will update you as we learn more.



Did April showers make May flowers bloom in your yard? If you need **gardening** help, whether flower or vegetable, raised or container, we can help! We have many gardening and landscaping books to make your yard a great space to spend time this spring and summer. If you're feeling extra ambitious, check out our books on building a deck or rock wall. Whatever the home improvement project, this is a great time to get started and we have the information you need.

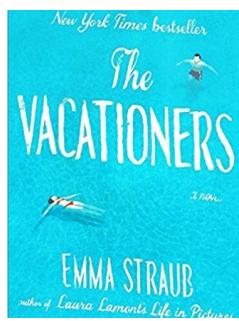
Don't forget to visit the library's online calendar—or see the last page of this newsletter—to see all our events. There's something for everyone.

I hope to see you in the library soon!

~Jen Alvino  
Library Director

## If You Like...

### For adults



If you like **Ann Patchett's Commonwealth** for its vast cast of quirky characters, try **Emma Straub (Modern Lovers, The Vacationers)**. Both **Patchett** and **Straub** tell stories from multiple points of view which allows the lives of their characters to weave in and out of one another's. Both write about familial love with brutal honesty—its flaws, its humor, its joy.

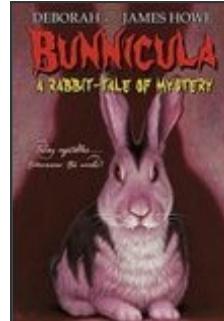


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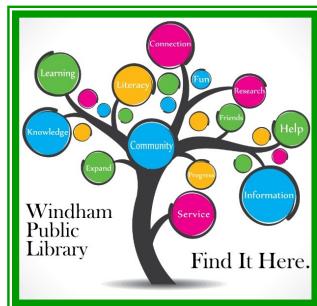
Have you got kids stuck on **R. L. Stein's Goosebumps** series but looking for something new and equally creepy? You may want to try the **Bunnicula** books by James and Deborah Howe. Told from the perspective of the family dog, the **Bunnicula** books are a little less scary (there are a whole lot fewer in the series, too).

### For kids

## Friends of the Windham Public Library

Did you know you can support the Friends of WPL by purchasing gently-used books from the cart in front of the circulation desk? Hard and soft cover books are available in a variety of subjects for only a few dollars. Be sure to check it out! Friends of the WPL are volunteers who help raise funds for a variety of library programs. We encourage new members to join us! For more information contact Susan Dries at 207-892-9346. Next Friends meeting:

**Thursday, May 11th, 2-3pm**



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events and  
newsletters



Access our library events calendar at  
[www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar)



Browse our newest library materials at  
[www.windham.lib.me.us/new-materials-2](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/new-materials-2)

### LIBRARY HOURS

**Mon & Wed**  
10:00am - 7:00pm

**Tues, Thurs & Fri**  
10:00am - 6:00pm

**Sat**  
10:00am - 4:00pm



*All library programs are free! Call for more info, or go to our webpage at [www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar)*

| Sunday<br><i>closed</i> | Monday<br>10am-7pm   | Tuesday<br>10am-6pm   | Wednesday<br>10am-7pm   | Thursday<br>10am-6pm  | Friday<br>10am-6pm | Saturday<br>10am-4pm                |
|-------------------------|--|---|---|---|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                         | 1<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)   | 2<br><br>Books & Babies<br>(10:15am)<br>●<br>Knitters 'N<br>More (1pm)                                  | 3<br><br>Zen Coloring<br>Group (6pm)  | 4<br>Outreach<br>Delivery (10:30am)<br>●<br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Tech Help Thurs<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Star Wars Day<br>Events (1:30pm)   | 5                  | 6                                   |
| 7                       | 8<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)   | 9<br><br>Books & Babies<br>(10:15am)<br>●<br>Knitters 'N<br>More (1pm)                                  | 10<br><br><br><br>Author Talk:<br>Mary Lawrence<br>(6pm) | 11<br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Tech Help Thurs<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Friends of WPL<br>Meeting (2pm)<br>●<br>Trustees' Board<br>Meeting (4pm)   | 12                 | 13                                  |
| 14                      | 15<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)  | 16<br><br>Books & Babies<br>(10:15am)<br>●<br>Knitters 'N<br>More (1pm)                                 | 17<br><br>Afternoon<br>Movie*(1pm)<br>●<br>Children's<br>Chapter Book<br>Discussion Group<br>(4pm)<br>●<br>Evening Movie*<br>(5pm)        | 18<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Tech Help<br>Thursday<br>(10:30am)  | 19                 | 20                                  |
| 21                      | 22<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)  | 23<br><br>Books & Babies<br>(10:15am)<br>●<br>Knitters 'N<br>More (1pm)                                 | 24<br><br>Maine<br>Humanities<br>Council Book<br>Discussion<br>(6pm)  | 25<br><br>Story Time<br>(10:30am)<br>●<br>Tech Help<br>Thursday<br>(10:30am)  | 26                 | 27<br><br><b>LIBRARY<br/>CLOSED</b> |
| 28                      | 29<br><br><br><br><b>LIBRARY<br/>CLOSED</b> | 30<br><br>Books & Babies<br>(10:15am)<br>●<br>Knitters 'N<br>More (1pm)<br>●<br>Tea For You<br>(1:30pm) | 31  | <p>* This month's movie selection is<br/> <b><i>The Great Gilly Hopkins</i></b><br/> <b>(2016, PG, 99 min.)</b></p>  |                    |                                     |