

# CHECK IT OUT

The newsletter of the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine



MAY  
2014



The library will  
**CLOSED**  
**MAY 24th -**  
**26th** for  
**Memorial Day**  
observance



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Please note the **changes** to our library hours, **as of May 5th**:



**MONDAYS:** 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM

**TUESDAYS:** 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM

**WEDNESDAYS:** 9:30 AM to **6:00 PM**

**THURSDAYS:** 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM

**FRIDAYS:** 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

**SATURDAYS:** 9:30 AM to **5:00 PM** \*

**NEW!**

\* **Year-round. No more "summer hours"**



*Because libraries are at the heart of our communities  
and justice is at the heart of our democracy.*

## Lawyers in Libraries Day

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Dawn D. Dyer, Esq. will be available for questions  
**free of charge.** Call library for more information,  
or go to our homepage at  
[www.windham.lib.me.us](http://www.windham.lib.me.us)

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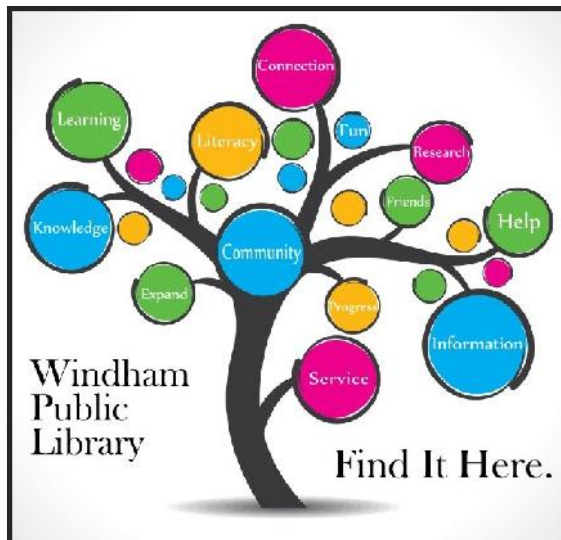
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## Director's Note:

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At last month's National Library Week Declaration for the Right to Libraries event I unveiled the **library's new logo**. I think the logo is a great example of the future of libraries and how the library is perceived in the community. Here it is:



I want to take a moment to **thank those that attended the signing event**. It was so wonderful to have that support for the library! The Declaration is still hanging up upstairs along with the signature poster. Please stop in to sign it if you haven't had a chance.

On June 1st, the library will begin to circulate **eReader devices**. In the Children's Room, we will have two Kindles loaded with the Maine Student Book Award Winners. In the Adult Library, we will have three Nooks loaded with popular novels and non-fiction titles. In addition, we will soon have a large selection of **digital audiobook devices called Playaways**. Playaways have popular audiobooks preloaded on them. You can plug headphones right into the devices to

listen to the book. They are great to put in your pocket when exercising or cleaning the house. Be on the lookout for these in the coming months. We will have a collection of over 100 Playaways thanks to a generous neighbor library that donated them to us.

~Jen Leo

Library Director



As part of our ongoing work towards joining the statewide library system, and as part of the work needed to start our own downloadables collection, we are currently upgrading and **replacing all patron library cards**. Stop in today to get your new card.



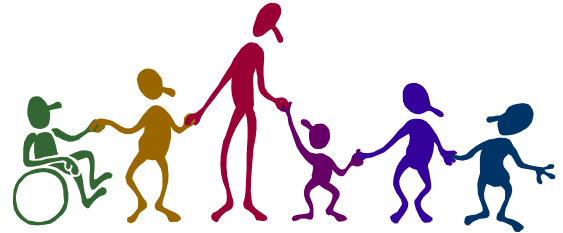
Image: [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com)

### E-Readers coming soon!

Starting in early June, patrons will be able to check-out e-readers from the library. Three **Nooks** will be added to the Adult/Teen Collection and two **Kindles** will be available in the Children's Room. Popular fiction and non-fiction will be on the Adult/Teen units, while many 2014-2015 Maine Student Book Award titles will be on the ones for young patrons.

The Windham Public Library welcomes patrons of all ages to use our space, services, and materials. We recently completed a **Code of Conduct policy**, which is available online at [www.windham.lib.me.us/library-code-of-conduct-policy](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/library-code-of-conduct-policy)

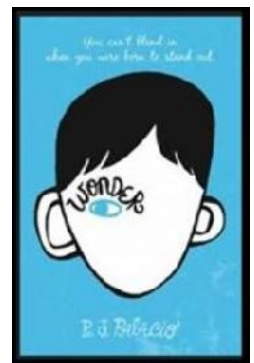
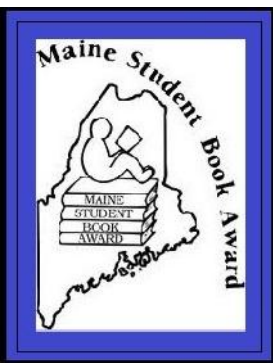
Please contact the Library Director if you have questions about anything within our policy, or regarding the behavior of patrons within the library grounds.



## Maine Student Book Award update

The **winner** of the **2013-2014 MSBA** was announced in early April: "Wonder" by R. J. Palacio

Most of the 2014-2015 MSBA books have been added to the Children's Room and Teen collections for the new year. Many 2014-2015 Maine Student Book Award titles will also be added to



the new circulating library Kindles (see page 2). Stop by to pick up an annotated list, see the whole new display, and check out a title or two. Folks who read three or more by next March are invited to an ice cream party to celebrate the books and take a look at the new year's selections.



## Summer Reading Program T-Shirt Sale!

The Summer Reading Program **"Fizz, Boom, Read"** can be celebrated with the purchase of a \$5 shirt. See the folks in the Children's Room for details. Shirts will be available to try on to be sure you get the right size. They are actually a way-brighter green than in this picture. Come take a look.

The **Summer Reading Program calendar for all ages** will be available May 31st. Activities will be offered throughout the summer. Recognitions and raffles for prizes will be announced. Join in the fun by registering at the circulation desks.

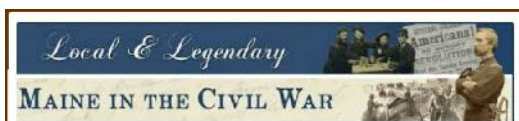
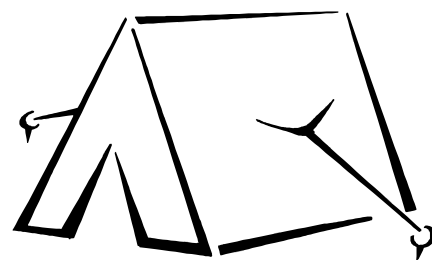




Windham Public Library is involved in the "**Local and Legendary: Maine in the Civil War**" program through the Maine Historical Society and the Maine Humanities Council. The following event is part of this program:

May 24-26 the Gorham-Windham grant group will help sponsor the **3rd Maine Civil War Encampment** at the Windham Historical Society grounds. Stop by to see what life was like 150 years ago for the men, women, boys and girls of the time. Many events will be happening, including the 3rd Maine's participation in the Memorial Day Parade on the 26th.

The Windham Historical Society is located at 234 Windham Center Road.



More information about any of these events is available at [www.maineinthecivilwar.com](http://www.maineinthecivilwar.com) or [www.facebook.com/Gambopowdermills](https://www.facebook.com/Gambopowdermills)

## Ongoing programs and displays

### Books and Babies

**FOR:** Ages 6-24 months

**HELD:** Tuesdays, 10:00 am

*Please call to verify that program is still being held that day*



Books and Babies lasts approximately 20 minutes, and includes songs, fingerplays, and a story. This program has several goals: to provide early experiences for children with the spoken word, to provide a chance for parents/caregivers to share activities with children, and to create enjoyment for all during story time. It is very helpful for the adults to model the activities by participating with their child.

### Preschool Story Times

**FOR:** Children up to age 5

**HELD:** Mondays, 10:30 am

Mondays, 1:00 pm

Thursdays, 10:30 am

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Children up to age 5 and their parents/caregivers are invited to join us. This presentation includes two stories and several songs. Children should be able to sit attentively throughout the 30 minute program.

**TNT Club**  
(\*Tweens-n-Teens)



**FOR:** Kids only! Grades 6-12 (ages 10-18) welcome!!

**WHAT:** Free, monthly after-school program

**WHERE:** Held in the library meeting room downstairs

**NEXT MEETING:** May 8th, 2:30-3:30 pm

**TOPIC WE'LL CHAT ABOUT:** Stories that take place in a school

Suggestions at [www.windham.lib.me.us/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/School-setting.pdf](http://www.windham.lib.me.us/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/School-setting.pdf)

**ACTIVITY:** Make your own smores and smoothies

**MORE INFO:** <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/teens>



**Windham  
Public  
Library  
Book  
Group  
(for adults)**



**The Library Book Group is on break, January through May, while the "Making a Living, Making a Life" program is going on.** The next session is scheduled for May 27th. We will discuss ***Confessions of an Advertising Man*** by David Ogilvy . For more information about this program, contact the facilitator, Barbara, at the library or via email at [bkeef@windhammaine.us](mailto:bkeef@windhammaine.us)

**Tea For You  
@  
The Library**



**Next Tea:** May 13, 1:30-2:30 pm

The library hosts an informal tea in the meeting room. Folks are encouraged to drop in, share conversation, tea, and goodies. The tea is open to anyone who would like to stop by that afternoon, whether you have a library account with us or not. All ages– kids to adults– are welcome, and the atmosphere is quite relaxed (no need to dress up, unless you wish). We hope you (and friends) will come!



**Exhibit Case**

May 1st - July 31st

**Airplanes**

Brandon Currier

**Art Display**

May 1st -

July 31st

**Virginia March**



For more information about our displays, go to <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/exhibits>



## LIBRARY HOURS

*year-round*

### Mon

9:30 am - 8:00 pm

### Tues, Wed, Thurs

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### Fri, Sat

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## ***YOUR LIBRARY STAFF***

**Library Director:** Jen Leo

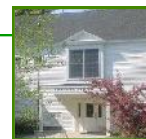
**Adult Services Librarian:** Sally Bannen

**Reference/Technology Librarian:** Barbara Keef

**Children's Librarian:** Laurel T. Parker

**Children's Room Coordinator:** Diana Currier

**Library Aides:** June Hawkes, Janet Stover, Jeanne Thurber



to see updates on new materials, reminders about library programs, and other info



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