

CHECK IT OUT

The newsletter of the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine



Tea For You @ The Library Tuesday, August 2nd, 1:30-2:30pm

The library regularly hosts an informal tea. Folks are encouraged to drop in, share conversation, tea, and goodies. The tea is open to **all ages**– kids to adults. The atmosphere is quite relaxed (no need to dress up, unless you wish). Contact Laurel for more info.

National Coloring Book Day display On August 2nd, see the display from our Library Coloring Group set up in the Library meeting room **from 1-2:30pm**. Take home a coloring page, or borrow coloring supplies and work on one while you

enjoy tea and munchies!
No rsvp needed.





Josh Christie Wednesday, August 10th, 6-7pm

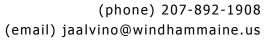


Writer of a number of works of nonfiction, including "Maine Beer: Brewing in Vacationland." He is a regular contributor to the Maine Sunday Telegram, lives in Maine, and manages an independent bookstore in Portland.

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:



It's hard to believe but the summer is speeding by and it's

already August! There's still plenty of time for you to sign up and complete your **Summer Reading Program** requirements. Check in with a staff person for more information and to sign up.



Before you know it the kids will be heading back to school or off to college. We have many of the books on the **school summer reading lists** and have additional copies borrowed from the school library. Speak to a staff person to find the titles needed for those requirements.

Have the kids told you they're bored? That is often a refrain toward the end of summer (or beginning)! We have books, audiobooks, movies, and music CDs to entertain children of any age. If we don't have something in our collection, we can order it easily from another local library. We also have computers, puzzles, board games, sports equipment, and a Wii! And don't forget to check out our calendar on the library website for more details about the many activities we have going on throughout the summer including craft activities and book groups: www.windham.lib.me.us

Thank you and enjoy your summer of reading.

~Jen Alvino Library Director



The Monarchs Are Coming! The Friends of the Windham Public Library are sponsoring the raising of monarch caterpillars at the library in August. Approximately 72 will come during the first week of August. They will arrive when they are just a few days old, and volunteer Jeanne

Thurber will feed and nurture them as caterpillars. Once the chrysalises are formed we'll begin the countdown to when they will emerge as fully formed monarchs. This year, see if you can figure out why they have names of cities. 12 local families, who signed up last August, will to be able to raise 2 or 3 monarchs from second or third instar to full maturity, tag them, and release them at home which takes about 4 weeks. If you would like to foster butterflies in 2017, please leave your information at the Children's Room desk. We keep a list of folks who have done it before in case we need their help, too. Watch our Facebook page for updates on their progress and for release dates and times.

Special volunteer opportunities this year

- * We need some help gathering milkweed for the caterpillars. If you can lend a hand, please sign up with Mrs. Parker. We will need milkweed leaves each day for two weeks, starting when the caterpillars arrive. As time goes by we will have a demand for up to 30 leaves a day. We start out slow and grow along with the caterpillars.
- * Jeanne Thurber, who has been our "Butterfly Mom," is ready to pass the responsibility to someone new next year. This would be a position for an adult who would be willing to give volunteer time to the library for a few hours each day while the caterpillars grow. It is a short term, labor intensive time commitment. If you are interested and would like to intern with Jeanne this year, please talk with Mrs. Parker.



Special children's Summer Reading Program activities in August:

contact Children's Room for more information: 892-1908





Children's Room Chapter Book Discussion Wednesdays: August 3rd, 10th & 24th from 4 - 5pm

Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Currier, and Ms. Victoria will be reading 2016-2017 Maine Student Book Award (MSBA) books and centering each Chapter Book Discussion around a specific title, but the discussion will be open for any chapter books that readers choose to talk about.



Ice Cream Party Thursday, August 4th, 1:30-2:00pm

Celebrate our Summer Reading Program with a yummy treat! Everyone welcome. No sign up is necessary.



Saturday Family Story Time Saturdays: August 6th & 13th from 10:30am-11:15am

Saturday Family Story Times center around a theme, include a read-aloud story or two, a selection of books to look over and check out, and a family friendly activity. Open to all ages. No sign up necessary.

Reading Therapy Dog returns Select Mondays: Aug 8 & 29, and Sep 12

The purpose of **Reading Therapy** is "to improve the literacy skills of children through the assistance of registered therapy teams." Maggie, a **reading therapy dog**, and Rosie & Izzy and their owners, David and Liset Higgs, will be visiting. They will arrive just after 10am and be here for about an hour. If your child would like to



read to them, call the Children's Room to set up a 15 minute appointment. Drop-ins welcome.



Yoga for Children Thursday, August 11th, 10-11am

Rebecca LaWind will share this great physical activity with young children in the library meeting room. Free. No registration required.



Craft Day Wednesday, August 10th, 10:30-11:30am

Craft programs will be in the meeting room of the library. Check in at the Children's Room circulation desk for an entry ticket. 24 children may come and they will be asked

to present their ticket at the door as they enter. Crafts are appropriate for upcoming K-6 grade students. Attendees should be able to follow simple directions and use craft tools such as scissors on their own.



Bedtime Math End of Summer Star Party Wednesday, August 17th, 4-5pm

Join us in the meeting room for our End of the Summer Star Party! Admission to the event is your Bedtime Math Star Chart. We will do the daily math problem together, see

how many constellations people completed, and have a snack that will be divided among the attendees.



On your mark! Get set! READ Carnival! Thursday, August 25th from 1-3pm

Join us for games and activities-- on the back lawn of the library if it's nice; in the meeting room if it rains.



Letterboxing: Through August 29th

Letterboxing has begun! Pick up a kit in the Children's Room and have fun exploring 6

Ongoing programs and displays

For more information about these or any other library programs, contact the library or go to www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar

Books and Babies

Tuesdays, 10:15 am



Ages 6-24 months and their parents or caregivers. Books and Babies lasts roughly 20 minutes, and includes songs, fingerplays, and a story. *You may wish to call to verify that program is still being held that day.*

Story Times

Mondays, 10:30 am (with a take-home craft)

* No Thursday Story Times until the fall



Children up to age 5 and their parents or caregivers. This program includes two stories and several songs. Children should be able to sit attentively throughout the 30 minute program. *You may wish to call to verify that program is still being held that day.*

Movie Time for Adults

This month:

Wednesday,

August 24th, 1pm



New releases shown. Free, snacks provided, no reservations required. This month: "**Race**" (2016, PG-13, 134 min.) based on true story of Olympian Jesse Owens. Free, snacks provided, no reservations required. Please call Sally for more details: 207-892-1908.

Library Coloring Group
This month: Saturday,
August 6th, 10am-12pm



Bring your coloring book and supplies, and join us for some stress-free time of reflection and creativity. Ages teen through adult. More information, contact Sally.



This month: Thursday, Aug 4th

Knitters 'n More Every Tuesday, 1 pm



All needleworkers are welcome. Bring your own project to work on. Share patterns, tips and conversation. All ages. Contact Laurel for more info.

We deliver an assortment of library materials to

Ledgewood Manor, Unity Gardens, New Marblehead Manor, and Little Falls Landing each month. For more

NOW ON DISPLAY

DOWNSTAIRS:



Cornerstones of Science

Display:

See Children's Room

Book-In-A-Jar

info, contact Sally.

Can you guess this month's Book-In-A-Jar? If so, you receive a treat!



UPSTAIRS:



Exhibit Case

Aug 1, 2016 -Oct 31, 2016

Rocks

by Amelia & Lucas Peterson

Art Display

Aug 1, 2016 -Oct 31, 2016

Paintings by Elizabeth Wisecup



For more information about our **Exhibit Case** or **Art Displays**: http://www.windham.lib.me.us/exhibits

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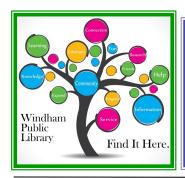
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Children's Librarian: Laurel T. Parker

Children's Room Coordinator: Diana Currier Library Aides: Janet Stover, Jennifer Dupree,

Victoria Hugo-Vidal



LIBRARY HOURS

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

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

10:00am - 4:00pm





Ask to be emailed our newsletters and events



Access our library events calendar at www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar



Browse our newest library materials at www.windham.lib.me.us/new-materials-2