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The newsletter of the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine



DECEMBER
2016



DEC 24th, 25th & 26th,
CLOSED

DEC 31st, JAN 1st & 2nd,
CLOSED



Children's Room Holiday Celebrations!

December
19, 20, & 22



Right after the mornings **Story Time** or **Books & Babies** program, holiday cheer will abound. Drinks and paper goods will be provided by the library, and friends are asked to bring a simple snack to share. Hope you can find time to join us.

See page 3 for more information about days & times of these programs, or contact the Children's Room at 207-892-1908.

Author Talk



Jennifer Dupree
Wednesday, December 14th
6-7pm

Jennifer Dupree holds an MFA in creative writing. She is a former bookstore owner, a current librarian and writing teacher, and a lover of words. She was selected as a **finalist for the 2016 Maine Literary Award**, and her work has appeared in The Masters Review, On the Rusk, Front Porch Review, among other publications. Her short story "Butterflies" was highlighted in NPR's "Three-minute Fiction" contest.



Space is limited. Please register with Barbara: 207-892-1908.



"Almost Time For School Vacation" Party!
December 21st, 2-4pm

Counting down the hours before the holidays begin and your school work ends? **Join us in the Teen area!** We'll have popcorn, toppings, a showing of the movie "Elf" (PG, 2003), and a marshmallow-stacking contest. Aimed at Middle Schoolers, but all ages welcome. Call Sally for more info: 207-892-1908.

Ordering through Amazon.com? Consider becoming part of **AmazonSmile**. The non-profit organization **Friends of the Windham Public Library** receives 0.5% of qualifying purchases to help with all the extras that they provide to our Library!



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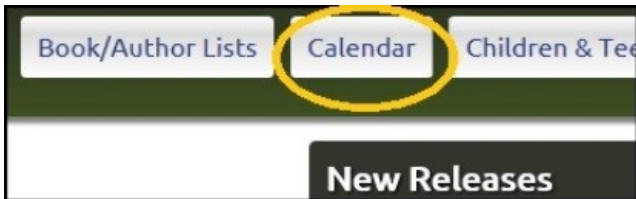
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Director's Note:

Traveling for the holidays? Stop in and pick up some **audiobooks, music CDs or movies** for your trip! Have you tried our **Download Collection**? We offer eBooks, eAudiobooks, digital magazines and digital comics/graphic novels. These are easy to access and perfect for traveling. No need to carry heavy books— just bring along your smartphone or portable device.



We have a couple of different ways to keep track of all the **things going on here at the library**: (1) visit our website and **click on the calendar** to see all of our events, (2) check out our posts in the local papers, on **Facebook**, on **MaineToday**, and on the **Town of Windham website calendar** (where you can sign up

for text alerts about select library events), (3) check out our **Pinterest** page for craft ideas, books we've read in story times, and our favorite movies.

When you visit the library, take a look at our displays. We have many resources to assist with your holiday planning, decorating, gift-giving and cooking. Ask a staff person for assistance if you don't find what you are looking for.

Finally, **holiday hours** for the **Christmas** and **New Year's holidays** are:

Closed 12/24-12/26, reopening Tuesday, 12/27

Closed 12/31-1/2, reopening Tuesday, 1/3



Have a safe and happy holiday season!

~Jen Alvino
Library Director



Zen Coloring Group
Wednesday,
January 4th,
6-7pm

Color while listening to soothing music as you unwind from your hectic routine. Bring your own supplies, or use the coloring supplies we have available. Online coloring apps can also be used! All ages welcome for this monthly **stress-free time of quiet reflection & creativity**.



*Whose laundry
is hanging
on the clothesline
today?*

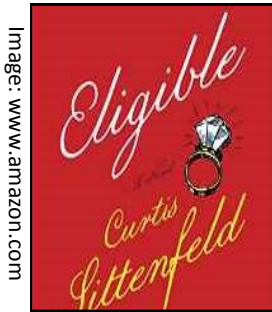
Every day is wash day in the Children's Room. Come in to see if you can figure out which story book character's clothes needed a bath this month.



If You Like...

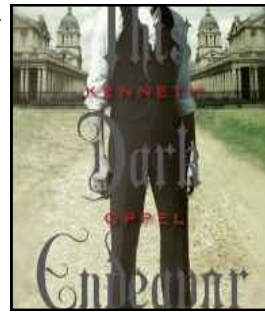
For adults

For teens



Looking for an engaging read? Something fun but not fluffy? If you like **Liane Moriarty's** books (*The Husband's Secret*, etc.), try something by **Curtis Sittenfeld**. Her latest, *Eligible*, a modern take on *Pride and*

Prejudice, is part romance, part social commentary. You may also like *Prep*, *American Wife*, and *Sisterland*.



Looking for something as equally creepy and thrilling as *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children* by **Ransom Riggs**? Try **Kenneth Oppel's** *This Dark Endeavor: The Apprenticeship of Victor*

Frankenstein which tells the story of 16-year-old Victor Frankenstein as he embarks on a dangerous quest (this is book 1 of a 2-book series).

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

Birth-24 months and their parents or caregivers. This program lasts roughly 20 minutes, and includes songs, fingerplays, and a story.



Story Time

Mondays, 10:30 am & Thursdays, 10:30 am

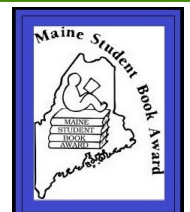
Children up to age 5 and their parents or caregivers. This program includes 2 stories and several songs. Children should be able to sit attentively throughout the 30 minute program.



Children's Room Chapter-Book Discussion

Wednesday, December 21st, 4 - 5pm

Children's Room staff read current Maine Student Book Award nominees and center each Discussion around a specific title, but readers are welcome to talk about any chapter books.



Tea For You @ The Library

Tuesday, December 13th, 1:30-2:30pm

Our informal teas are open to **all ages**— kids to adults. Folks are encouraged to drop in and share conversation, tea, and goodies. Contact Laurel for more info.



Teen Activities Available daily. Ask @ desk upstairs.



Watch select movies



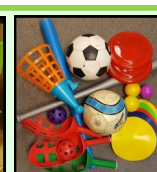
Monthly scavenger



Craft, build, imagine, puzzle, or create.



Wii games, board games & sports equipment



Outreach Delivery

Friday, December 1st

We deliver an assortment of library materials to Ledgewood Manor, Unity Gardens, New Marblehead Manor, and Little Falls Landing each month. For more info, contact Sally.



Knitters 'n More

Tuesdays, 1-3 pm

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



Knitters 'N More

Movie Time

Wednesday, December 28th, 1– 2:30 pm

New releases shown. Free, snacks provided, no reservations required. This month: **"Dear Eleanor"** (2016, PG-13, 89 min.). Please call Sally for more details.



NOW ON DISPLAY

DOWNSTAIRS:



Cornerstones of Science
Display:
Electricity & Magic

Book-In-A-Jar

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



UPSTAIRS:



Exhibit Case

Nov 1, 2016 -
Jan 31, 2017

Christmas Village
by **Sherry Andre**

Art Display

Dec 1, 2016 -
Jan 31, 2017

Artwork by Jenny Anna & Nola Wallace



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

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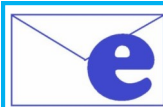


LIBRARY HOURS

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

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

Sat
10:00am - 4:00pm



Ask to be
emailed our
newsletters
and events

YOUR LIBRARY STAFF

Library Director: Jen Alvino

Technical Services Librarian: Sally Bannen

Reference/Technology Librarian: Barbara Kelley

Children's Librarian: Laurel T. Parker

Children's Room Coordinator: Diana Currier

Library Aides: Janet Stover, Jennifer Dupree,
Victoria Hugo-Vidal



Access our library events calendar at
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