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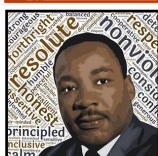
The newsletter of the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine



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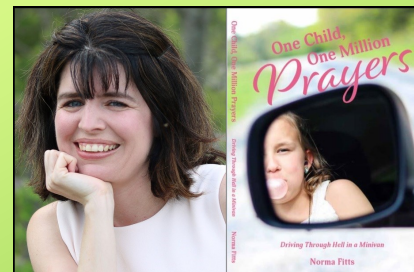
The library will be
**CLOSED Wednesday
January 1st** for
New Year's Day

and **CLOSED Monday
January 20th** for
**Martin Luther King
Jr's birthday.**



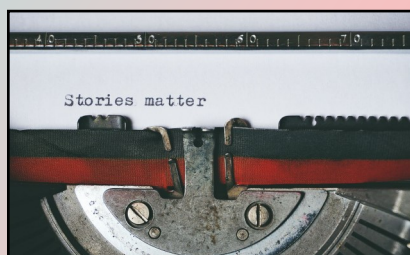
Author Talk: Norma Fitts Wednesday, January 8th 6-7 pm

Windham author, Norma Fitts, will share excerpts from her heartwarming and sometimes humorous memoir, "One Child, One Million Prayers: Driving Through Hell in a Minivan," to showcase the need for family and community involvement when a child and his/her family is confronted with a serious pediatric illness. For more information about the program, contact Ray Marcotte at the library (207-892-1908).



Writing Group Tuesday, January 28th 5-6pm

Join moderator Jen Dupree for a new monthly writing group at the library. We'll offer critiques on works in progress and use writing prompts to keep motivated. Writers of all levels are welcome! For more information call 207-892-1908 ext. 6 or email jdupree@windhammaine.us.



Tea: History, Types, & Tasting Fridays January 17th, January 31st & February 14th 10:30am-12:30pm

Join Ray Marcotte, Reference & Technology Librarian and co-owner of Dobra Tea, an Asian-style teahouse in Portland's Old Port, for a 3-part workshop focusing on the history and six classes of tea. Contact Ray (207-892-1908) at the Help Desk for more information.



Wow!

Did you know:

Our library hosted **466 library programs in 2019**, created **55 Bookface images** on our Facebook page, and our **library volunteers logged over 566 hours!**

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Chat with the Director



What's going on with Macmillan ebooks? Patrons may or may not have heard that there's been something happening between the publisher Macmillan and libraries throughout the United States, but many patrons probably don't know what, exactly, is happening or how it affects them. Director Jen Alvino explains it here:



"The ebook marketplace for libraries has been difficult from the start—pricing and availability has always been an issue. Our ability to provide ebooks to our patrons has been affected by prices and restrictions the publishers place on ebooks. For example, a consumer might pay fifteen dollars for an ebook, while a library could pay five times that much and only get the book for a limited amount of time or a limited number of checkouts. Every publisher is different, but the bottom line is that we're limited by our budget and these restrictions to about fifteen ebook titles per month (that's for everything—ebooks, eaudiobooks, ebooks for teens, kids, nonfiction and fiction).

In the fall, Macmillan made a decision to further restrict libraries with an eight-week embargo for Macmillan and all of its imprints. That means libraries can only purchase one copy of the book in the first eight weeks. Many larger library systems purchase multiple copies of ebooks in order to meet the needs of patrons. This embargo creates long hold lists and subsequent wait times for patrons.

For many years, libraries and publishers have worked together to get book consumers what they need. But, Macmillan believes this is what is best for their bottom line. They feel the library model for serving communities is hurting ebook sales. To that end, Windham Public Library, following the lead of state and national leaders, is boycotting the purchase of Macmillan ebook titles. While we understand this may make it difficult for our patrons, we believe this decision by Macmillan is harmful to readers everywhere. We're hoping to get Macmillan to reverse their decision. For more information, please visit <https://ebooksforall.org/>."



In happier news, please join us in welcoming **Lisa Schadler as the new Reference and Technology Assistant!** Many of you will recognize Lisa from her years working here in a substitute capacity and most recently as a Circulation Assistant. Lisa will be a terrific asset in her new role. Welcome, Lisa!

On
Display!

Art Exhibit through January 31
Artwork by Deanna Elder

Display Case through January 31
DC comics from Doug Copperberg

For pictures of our current **Displays:** www.windham.lib.me.us/ondisplay



Windham Public Library.
Find It Here.

LIBRARY HOURS

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

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

Sat
10:00am - 4:00pm



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



Sign up for emails of library events listings & newsletters
<https://goo.gl/forms/2JXYI2gLG82HAS0p1>

This is cool! 😊

Sign up to receive text alerts of library programs
<https://www.windhammaine.us/list.aspx>



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



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All library programs are free! Call for more info, or go to our webpage at www.windham.lib.me.us/calendar

Sunday <i>closed</i>	Monday 10am-7pm	Tuesday 10am-6pm	Wednesday 10am-7pm	Thursday 10am-6pm	Friday 10am-6pm	Saturday 10am-4pm
	Norma Fitts, January 8th		1 LIBRARY CLOSED 	2 Tech Help (10:30am) ● Outreach Delivery (10:30am) ● Story Time (10:30am)	3	4
	 NEW! Writing Group, January 28th					
5	6 Story Time (10:30am) ● Tech Help (4:30pm)	7 Books & Babies (10:15am) ● Knitters 'N More (1pm)	8 Discover Digital ME Library (11am) ● Movie Time: "Maiden" (2018, PG) (1pm) ● Author Talk: Norma Fitts (6pm)	9 Tech Help (10:30am) ● Story Time (10:30am)	10	11
12	13 Story Time (10:30am) ● Tech Help (4:30pm)	14 Books & Babies (10:15am) ● Knitters 'N More (1pm) ● STEM Club (4pm)	15 Navigating the cloudLibrary (11am) ● Movie Time: "Grumpy Old Men" (1993, PG-13) (1pm)	16 Tech Help (10:30am) ● Story Time (10:30am)	17 Tea: History, Types, & Tasting (10:30am)	18
19	20 LIBRARY CLOSED 	21 Books & Babies (10:15am) ● Knitters 'N More (1pm)	22 Movie Time: "The Farewell" (2019, PG) (1pm) ● Maine Humanities Council Book Group (6pm)	23 Tech Help (10:30am) ● Story Time (10:30am))	24 	25 Chess Club (10am)
26	27 Story Time (10:30am) ● Busy Builders (4pm) ● Tech Help (4:30pm)	28 Books & Babies (10:15am) ● Knitters 'N More (1pm) ● Writing Group (5pm)	29 Movie Time: "The Post" (2017, PG-13) (1pm)	30 Tech Help (10:30am) ● Story Time (10:30am))	31 Tea: History, Types, & Tasting (10:30am)	