

July 2024



Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

Newsletter Notes for July 2024

"July is hollyhocks and hammocks, fireworks and vacations, hot and steamy weather, cool and refreshing swims, beach picnics, and vegetables all out of the garden." - Jean Hersey

From the Director –

Maine is a beautiful state with the ocean, lakes, rivers, mountains, rocky coastlines, sandy beaches and so much more. Being in this world of natural wonders and having long warm days makes this a perfect time to take a break to enjoy all that nature has to offer. As a librarian I have to direct you to the selection of hiking, kayaking, camping and nature books we have in the library. The Maine non-fiction section (Dewey Decimal 790s) holds information about Katahdin, Acadia and other areas. These direct you to where to find your recreation areas and what other interests are in the area. Check out our collection to find you next trip. Go outside. Breathe fresh air. Enjoy your Maine adventures.

State-wide High Demand Titles

Note: All items are available through interlibrary loan.

Fiction Books

1. The Women (Hannah)
2. The Frozen River (Lawhon)
3. How to Read a Book (Wood)
4. Funny Story (Henry)
5. Long Island: A Novel (Toibin)

Non-fiction books

1. The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War (Larson)
2. The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness (Haid)
3. An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960s (Kearns Goodwin)
4. The Backyard Bird Chronicles (Tan)
5. A Walk in the Park: The True Story of a Spectacular Misadventure in the Grand Canyon (Fedarko)

Pam Dunning, Director

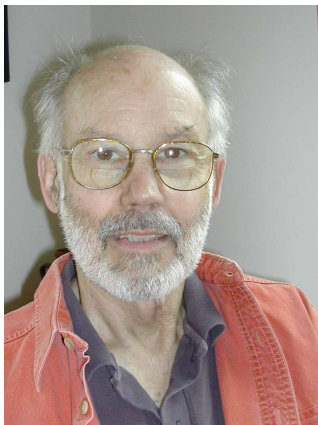


**Spotlight: Chamber Night
Bartenders Tracey and Bill**



2024 Summer Reading:
Teens & Adults, visit the Circulation Desk to sign up. Children visit the Children's Room. Prizes and ice cream party time! Goes through July 26th.

Upcoming Events



Thomas R. Moore, award winning author, speaks at Wiscasset Public Library from 5:00 to 6:30 on Wednesday, July 24th.

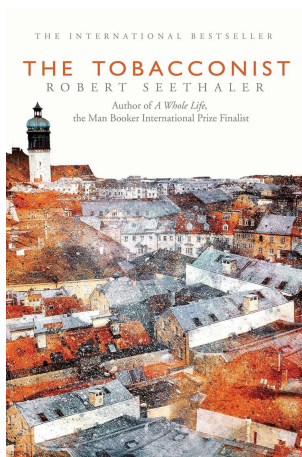
This library program is free and open to the public.

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Moore's sixth book of poems, *Unleashed*, was published in 2024. He is four times a Pushcart nominee and in 2018 "How We Built Our House" won a Pushcart Prize. His work has been broadcast on *Writer's Almanac* and *American Life in Poetry*, and he received an Individual Artist Grant from the Maine Arts Commission. He earned a Ph.D. in English at the University of Connecticut and taught at universities in Iran, Turkey, Mali, and the US. In 2017 and 2018 he served as Poet Laureate for Belfast, Maine. He has published over a hundred poems in various literary journals. In a recent review Dana Wilde called him "one of the most skilled poets we have in Maine right now." Visit his website at <https://tmoore419.wixsite.com/poet>

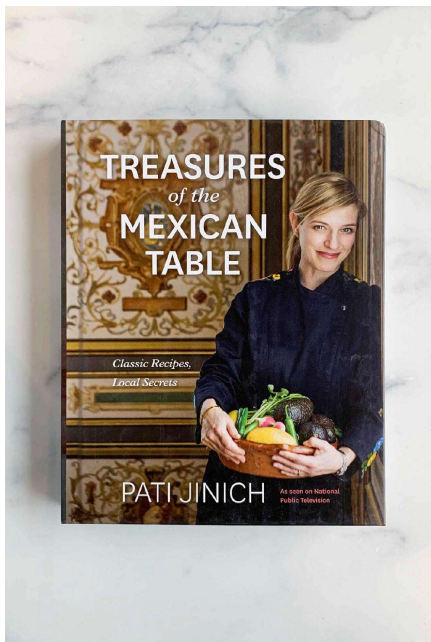


The Writer's Group meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM-6:30PM. *There are two spaces open.* Please contact Carolyn at: carolyninstead@gmail.com



The Friends of WPL Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM. For newcomers, please email Christopher Hart for the meeting location: christopher.hart@vcfa.edu.

July 16 -- *The Tobacconist* by Robert Seethaler



Friends Cookbook Club

June's meeting of the Friends of Wiscasset Public Library's Cookbook Club saw its members enjoying sunset views of the Sheepscot while sampling delicious dishes from Erin Gleeson's *The Forest Feast* Mediterranean. The seven sections of recipes in this book lent itself perfectly to each of our seven attendees choosing one section, and bringing a dish or two from it. Our menu included, but was not limited to burst tomatoes and torn mozzarella, strawberry tinto de verano, a chickpea and torn mozzarella salad, stone fruit bruschetta, Brussels sprouts and handmade pappardelle, sweet potatoes with feta dressing, and chocolate hazelnut cake cups. The overall consensus was that this gorgeously illustrated cookbook is full of simple dishes that give a lot of flavor and nutrition for minimal effort, and that we would all be incorporating recipes from the book into our repertoires.

The Cookbook Club's July cookbook is Patti Jinich's *Treasuries of the Mexican Table*, and in August the club will be digging into seasonal pestos and desserts. In September the club will be reminded that store-bought is just fine with Ina Garten's *Barefoot in Paris*. Those interested in joining should email TheFriendsCook@gmail.com

Friends of WPL

Our next meeting is July 10th at 9:30. Join us for our coffee social in the library Fiction



Coffee Social



Room at 9:30 AM. New members are always welcome. Meet the Friends and learn how we support the library. The business meeting will follow at 10:00 AM. To learn more, email the Friends:

Wiscasset.Library.Friends@gmail.com

HeartFelt Knitting with Betsy Rodman meets on the last Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM. Please contact Lindsey for details: lcarnes@wiscassetlibrary.org

Spectrum Generations: Leaders in Aging and Disability Community will be at Wiscasset Public Library on July 25th from 10:30AM to 12:30PM Medicare 101. Their mission is to promote and advance the well-being and independence of older and disabled adults, with the support of their care partners, to live in their community of choice. Their representatives can answer your questions about their programs and services. **MEDICARE 101 for July 25th**

May Brings Summer Hours WPL is Closed on Saturdays May 25th -September 7th

Important notice for Interlibrary Loan users: Maine State Library is in the process of signing a new contract for van delivery service. Due to an unforeseen circumstance in the requirements for negotiating the contracting with the state of Maine, the van delivery service *may* be out of service for two to four weeks near the end of June this year.



Bands For Books

The Friends of the Wiscasset Public Library will once again host the annual Bands for Books on Labor Day at Lakehurst Lodge in Damariscotta. The Salty Dogs have confirmed that they will be performing and will have people up and dancing throughout the event.

Our loyal guests know that each year we strive to make Bands for Books better than the previous year. Bands for Books 2023 was a wonderful year, and we realized our highest profit. We are thankful for our volunteers, our guests and our sponsors who made this possible.

All monies received will be used to support our Library. Last year, we were able to provide the Library with funds for operating expenses, the Summer Reading Program, Adult Programs, Young Adult Programs (yay, teens!), and the Inter-Library Loan System.

We also provided a new countertop for the circulation desk and for unexpected and necessary repairs to our beautiful and historic building. In total last year, our fundraising efforts provided in excess of \$16,000 to our library! We were able to do all this as a result of your generosity.

Please mark your calendars for this special event. If you have any questions, would like to be a Sponsor, or donate an item for the Silent Auction, please get in touch with Lynn Maloney (207-798-2831 or lynnmaloney5@yahoo.com)

Photo Caption:

The Fundraising Committee of the Friends of the Wiscasset Public Library met to plan Bands for Books. First row from left: Linda Adams (with Oliver), Linda Winterberg (with Liberty), Lynn Maloney (with Bradley) Second Row: Hannah Stewart (with Cooper), Barbara Britton, Kate Curran, Blanche Johnson, Tracey Whitney, and Michelle Wentworth (with Sandy)

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TEEN & YA ROOM NEWS

WISCASSET PUBLIC LIBRARY / JULY 2024

TEEN ROOM EVENTS

ALL MONTH CRAFTING

- SEASHELL PAINTING
- FELT PUFFINS
- FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS



- SALTY SOUL SUMMER ART ACTIVITY TAKES





**2024
READ, RENEW, REPEAT**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO
SUMMER READING BINGO
AT WISCASSET PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

**BINGO BOARD
CHALLENGES FOR
TEENS/YOUNG ADULTS
AND ADULTS ARE BACK!**

Teens (ages 12+) and Adults can
register at the front desk
May 21st through July 26th .

You will receive a bingo board and
a welcome gift.

The more you read, the more
chances you have to win.

Start Date: June 17st

The Rules:

1. Complete your first row (bingo!) and win an instant *prize!*
2. For every completed row after that, you can enter your name into our raffle to win a *grand prize*. Show us each row you finish in exchange for a raffle ticket.
3. Bring in your completed card and you'll receive three extra raffle tickets.



The Children's Room

Summer Reading is here!
When you come to pick up your books—remember there are Crafts to Go.



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Story Time @ WPL Children's Room
Friday mornings at 10:30 am*

**No stories on 7/5/2024*



Summer Reading Club is going strong at WPL Children's Room. You still have time to sign-up until July 26! Get excited about reading, earn great prizes, enter super raffles. We have fidgets, Mobius strips, tattoos and Dairy Queen ice cream to give away. We have books galore to read including the "I Survived" Series, "Wings of Fire" and the "Invest-GATORS" in graphic novels. We have lots of new emerging reader books including "Pete the Cat," "Elephant and Piggy" and "Pip and Otto." Our kids need to read this summer and the library makes it fun.



Flying Bee Craft



Paper Plate Bee Craft



Bee Pollinator



Clothespin Birds

Flip Flop Pic Frame



Bee House Craft



Cheerio Bird Feeder



Bird House Craft

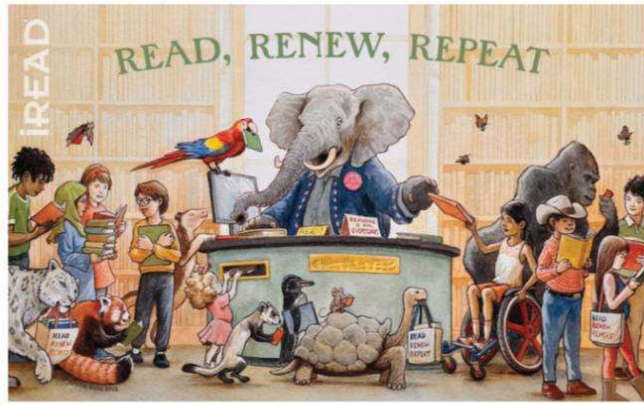


Rocky Beach Sign

Beaded Turtle Charm



July Crafts To Go



SUMMER READING CLUB 2024:
READ • RENEW • REPEAT

All participants

Read • Review • Repeat

Do it again!



Participate in-person and online



REGISTRATION

Stop by the *Children's Room* or
register on the *WPL "Just for Kids" page*



IMPORTANT DATES

Registration **May 21** through **July 26**

Reporting runs **June 18** through **August 7**

By Invitation Only, *Super Sundae Celebration* on **August 9, 2024**.

Raffle Winners will be announced.



THREE AGE GROUPS

Read to Me (birth to age 4): Caregiver records title of 20 books and child receives a goody bag that includes a *Grumpy Bruce* board book, bath time squishy, growth chart and dinosaur stuffy.



Kindergarten through 4th Grade: Read and review 8 books to receive 8 incentives. Receive a goody bag, Certificate of Completion and the first raffle ticket for reading and

reviewing the first 8 books. With the 8th book and every book thereafter, receive raffle tickets for our grand prizes.



5th and 6th Grade: Read 5 books and hand in a short review for each. Receive 8 incentives as well. Receive a goody bag, Certificate of Completion and the first raffle ticket for reading and reviewing the first 8 books of the Summer Reading Club 2024. With the 8th book and every book thereafter, receive raffle tickets for our grand prizes.



[COME BY THE CHILDRENS ROOM](#)

- ★ For a [START-UP KIT](#) which includes a green **READ** bag, 4 review sheets, your choice of Mobius Loop, bookmarks, coloring activity sheet, and activity booklet.
- ★ To take a look at all **8 INCENTIVES** and [RAFFLE PRIZES](#).



Look for our July calendar of activities and story times!

Friday Storytime 10:30-11:00

News from the Friends of WPL

Treasurer's Report

It's not too late to send in your dues for the 2023 year. Please send your checks, payable to **Friends of Wiscasset Public Library**, to the Friends of WPL, 21 High Street, Wiscasset 04578. Thank you for your continued support.

Second Hand Prose Used Book Room

Open Tuesday through Saturday when the library is open.

If you have any suggestions, I would love to hear from you. I can be reached at lynnmaloney5@yahoo.com. As always, a sincere thank you to the faithful volunteers who staff our Used Book Room. Your diligence is appreciated. It is wonderful to welcome so many people. This is one of the highlights of volunteering. Plus, you get a first chance at purchasing our books!



Be a FRIEND!

Would you like to support your community and have some fun? Come to a Friends meeting to learn about the many ways we assist WPL. We meet at the library at 9:30am on the second Wednesday, every other month. We start with a coffee social, followed by the business meeting at 10:00am. Our next meeting will be held on July 10th. You can find more Friends information on the [WPL website](#). Email us at Wiscasset.Library.Friends@gmail.com if you'd like to receive updates from the Friends

Contact Lindsey Carnes for any Newsletter questions or submissions. 207-882-7161

Digital Resources



E-books & Audiobooks



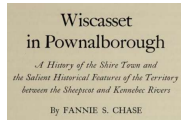
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Graphic novels, Manga & more



Online Learning Tools



Wiscasset History



Card Catalog

Wiscasset Public Library is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Your support helps WPL bring information, the joy of reading, and life-long learning to the communities of Alna, Edgecomb, Westport Island, and Wiscasset. To donate, visit our [website](#). Thank you for your support!

Hours

Tuesday 10:00am–5:00pm
Wednesday 10:00am–7:00pm
Thursday 10:00am–5:00pm
Friday 10:00am–5:00pm
Saturday 10:00am–2:00pm
Closed Sunday and Monday
*Summers Hours Closed Saturdays
Starting May 25th -September 7th*

Staff

Pamela Dunning, Director
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Lindsey Carnes, Librarian
David Cherry, Assistant Librarian
Katie Smith, Library Clerk

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