

September 2024



Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

Newsletter notes for September 2024

“September: when it’s not summer, but it’s not fall yet.” - Unknown

From the Director –

Temperatures cool, leaves begin to change and daylight fades. September is like a precursor to fall, a time when many people begin to return to indoor interests. What a great time for interlibrary loans (ILLs) to return. You can begin placing holds on September 3.

The sudden shutdown of the system came as a great shock to many and emphasized the importance of this type of access. With little more than the click of a mouse we had millions of titles available. Thankfully, the new courier service has the routes and process set and we can go back to enjoying all of those materials once more.

With the restart of this service with a new van delivery vendor, we would like everyone to be measured in their number of requests because otherwise we run the risk of overwhelming the service with extremely high volume within the first few weeks. If an individual patron has more than 3 requests to submit the week of 9/3, I would ask that you space those requests out in the system over 2 or 3 weeks. This will also help library staff to gradually resume ILL processing over the first few weeks of the service. Please be mindful to help not crash the system.

Happy Reading Everyone!

Pam Dunning, Director

Top High Demand Titles

Note: All items are available through interlibrary loan.

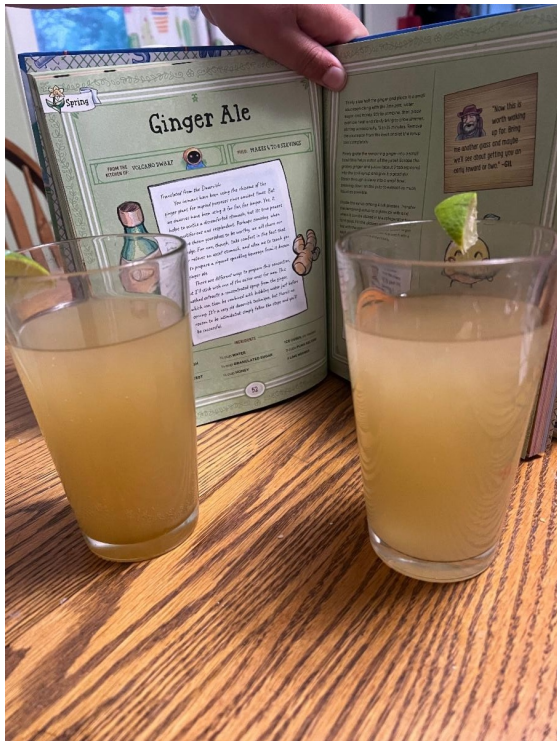
Fiction Books

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)

Around the Library



Spotlight: Chef Henry

Made homemade ginger ale from the official Stardew Valley Cookbook based on the popular videogame. Visit the Teen Room for cool cookbooks! Thank you Henry, future Food Network star.



Spotlight: Donald Blagden

Donald Blagden, former WPL Trustee and incorporator, generously donated his weekend to put a slip free paint on the library front entrance. Thank you Donald for keeping us safe.



Spotlight: HeartFelt Knitting Group



WPL
Mini
Golf



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Spotlight: WPL Mini Golf

Kickoff Library Sign Up month with Mini Golf around the library. Visit the Circulation

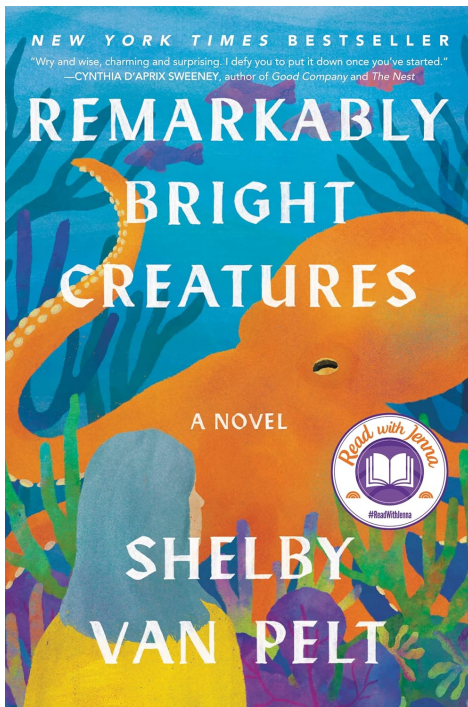
Wendy's gorgeous crocheted baby sweater.

Desk for a putter, foam ball and score card. Thank you to Michelle, Kate and the Friends of WPL for sponsoring this event.

Upcoming Events



The Writer's Group meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM-6:30PM. The Writer's Group is full again. Please contact Carolyn to be added to the waitlist: carolyninstead@gmail.com

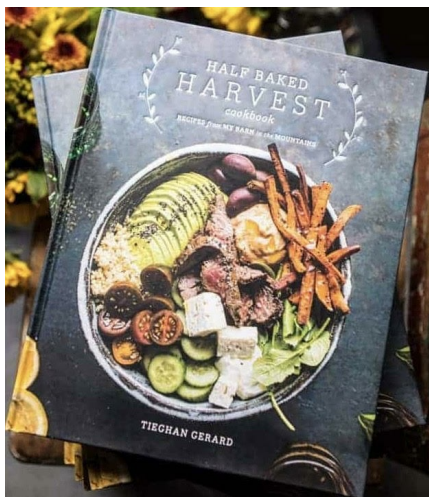


The Friends of WPL Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30PM. For newcomers, please email Christopher Hart for the meeting location: christopher.hart@vcfa.edu.

Good day, various and sundry reading companions.

Upcoming titles:

September 17 -- *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt
October 15 -- *The Ghost and Mrs. Muir* by R.A. Dick
November 19 -- *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue* by V.E. Schwab
December 17 -- *Three Weeks in December* by Audrey Schulman



Friends Cookbook Club

The Friends of Wiscasset Public Library's Cookbook Club met with scenic river views for our third dinner, where we sampled seasonal pestos and herbs picked from gardens around Wiscasset. The hors d'oeuvres began with bright and refreshing berry mojitos featuring homegrown mint and blueberries and included a light and savory pesto cheesecake, a delightful sun-dried tomato pesto served with torn mozzarella and crostini, a rich basil and cilantro pecan pesto served with warm garlic bread, and a fresh basil and garlic herb butter. The main course featured a succulent chicken and prosciutto with beet greens pesto, a gorgeous spaghetti squash with basil pecan pesto, a lush greek tortellini salad with a pesto vinaigrette, and a vibrant summer harvest penne pasta with fennel and

chive herbed butter. For dessert, we shared generous servings of warm peach and Maine berry cobbler, complete with melting scoops of vanilla ice cream. The potluck meal came together as a lovely celebration of late summer, and we all left our host's beautiful home quite full, and quite happy.

The Cookbook Club's September meeting will feature recipes from Ina Garten's Barefoot in Paris, and October's meeting will be based around Tieghan Gerard's Half Baked Harvest Cookbook; those interested in joining should email TheFriendsCook@gmail.com
Annaliese



Friends of WPL

Our next meeting is September 11th at 9:30. Join us for our coffee social in the library Fiction 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.

This is a wonderful group with many talents and varying knitting skills. Some are brand new and some are experts. Please contact Lindsey for details: lcarnes@wiscassetlibrary.org

Interlibrary Loan. Restarts September 3rd per state request: please only order three books or less.

Teen Room News

TEEN & YA ROOM NEWS

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TEEN ROOM EVENTS

ALL MONTH CRAFTING

- MINI GOLF 9 HOLES AROUND THE STACKS
- LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP
- STRESS BUSTER CRAFTS
- FORTUNE TELLERS



The Children's Room



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Goodbye Summer. Hello Fall. Welcome Back School. We are ready for it all!



WPL Children's Room Summer Reading Club Wrap-up

2024 Raffle winners: **Myrick**—immense beach ball & more, **Marion**—Sherman's Gift Card & more, **Barima**—Investigator book and Gator, **Juniper**—Narwhal & Jelly with book, **Violet M.**—Chi Kitty and coloring book, **Wes**—Lego Construction Set, **Colton**—Lego space sets with book, **Maggie**—Smitty's gift card & Lego Racer, **Lireva**—Friends Lego Set & book, **Arianna R.**—Lego Friends Set and book, **Zoey**—Finger Paints & more, **Titus**—Lego Fire Fighting Set, **Lydia**—Egyptian Boredom Buster, **Colbie**—Barbie Boredom Buster. **Congrats!**

We handed out 512 incentives including 64 Dairy Queen Tokens! 14 babies enrolled in the Read-to-Me Book Club and all 14 completed the 20 book goal. 100 percent completion. Wow. Tracey Whitney, Friends of the Library President, again volunteered to visit and read to the Mainely Camp at the Wiscasset Rec Center. Between the camp outreach and the in-house Summer Reading we reached 173+ children. Way to go Readers!

WPL had another successful summer of reading thanks to the following sponsors—Sherman's Bookstores, Smitty's Cinema, Dairy Queen of Woolwich, Friends of Wiscasset Public Library. J. Edward Knight Insurance, Chesterfield Associates, Now You're Cooking, First National Bank, Doug Merrill & Son, Builder, Sheila Sawyer.

When you come to pick up your books—remember there are Crafts to Go.

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 September 11th. 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 Newsletter questions or submissions. 207-882-7161

Library Information

Digital Resources



E-books & Audiobooks



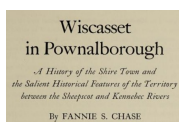
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Graphic novels, Manga & more



Online Learning Tools



Wiscasset History



Card Catalog

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Hours

Tuesday 10:00am–5:00pm
Wednesday 10:00am–7:00pm

Staff

Pamela Dunning, Director
Laurie Ridgway, Children's Librarian

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*

Lindsey Carnes, Librarian
David Cherry, Assistant Librarian
Katie Smith, Library Clerk

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