

Wiscasset Public Library 21 High Street Wiscasset, ME 04578

## **Library information**

Hours:

Tue. 10:00am-5:00pm

Wed. 10:00am-7:00pm

Thu. 10:00am-5:00pm

Fri. 10:00am-5:00pm

Sat. 10:00am-2:00pm

Sun. Closed

Mon. Closed

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# Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

August 2019

## **Upcoming Programs**



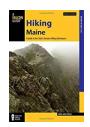
Harpswell author
Ed Robinson
Wednesday, Aug. 14
5:00-6:30pm
Nature Notes from
Maine

Avid outdoorsman Ed Robinson will present stunning photographs, animal calls, facts and anecdotes about a variety of species that make Maine a special place. Sales of his recently published book benefit the conservation efforts of the Harpswell Heritage Land Trust.

## Looking ahead...

Wiscasset writer
Lisa Fourre
Wednesday, Sep.11
5:00-6:30pm
Storytelling for your
Cause





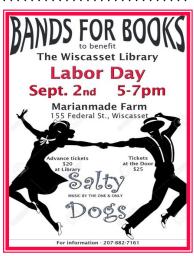
Glenburn Author Gary Westrich Wednesday, Oct. 9 5:00-6:30pm Hiking in Maine

Diana Coleman Wednesday, Nov. 6 5:00-6:30pm Women Going For It! Taking Risks After 50



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All Wiscasset Public Library programs are free and open to the public. You can find the latest program details on our website or Facebook page, or call for more information.



Ready to have some fun?! Join us at Bands for Books on Monday, September 2nd from 5 to 7pm. We have a fantastic evening planned: great dance music by The Salty Dogs; auction items from local artists and merchants; delicious food provided by Julie Bellefleur and the Friends of WPL; and, a raffle prize for one lucky attendee. The event will be held at the lovely Marianmade Farm, with a huge barn and covered patio in case of weather.

This is our biggest fundraiser and we need your help! Plan to attend, invite family and friends to come, and please support our Silent Auction. We have fabulous offerings, including some new and different artists (see pg. 3 for more info). Proceeds will help pay for the renewal of the Library entryway. Help us to put a new face on WPL as we welcome the community to all that the Library offers.

Advance purchase tickets are only \$20 and are available at the Library or at BIRCH Home Furnishings & Gifts, 72 Main St. in Wiscasset. You can also email Linda Winterberg for tickets at Izwint43@gmail.com.



## **Familiar Faces: Tania Hayes**

Much work goes on behind the scenes to make WPL a great community resource. Each month, we like to introduce the community members who contribute to our success. Meet **Tania Hayes**, a longtime Friend who is returning to the role of President of the Friends in September.

Tania spent the summers of her childhood in her family home in Wiscasset. It was there in the Smith House, across from the Library, that she developed her love of books. When she retired to Maine in 1999, she once again became an active member and supporter of the Library. According

to Tania, "I'll be serving as President of the Friends for a few months since Janet Morgan (current President) will be leaving Maine for parts known and unknown. This will be my second time being President, but I am hoping that someone younger and wiser will step up to the plate and offer to be President as of January 2020. I agreed to help out in the interim because I feel that the Friends group is a vital part of the library and our community. The Friends have raised money for many improvements and embellishments to the library throughout the years."

Thank you for your service, Tania!



My two favorite things in life are libraries and bicycles. They both move people forward without wasting anything. ~ Peter Golkin

## Have you taken our Large Print survey?

We want your suggestions for enhancing our Large Print Collection. Which authors, titles, and genres would you like us to add to our holdings? Survey forms are available at the Library. You are also welcome to email your ideas: wpl@wiscasset.lib.me.us

## Staff Picks: The Maine Collection by Janet Morgan

The Maine Collection is a subset in the WPL Nonfiction Room. It contains a wide range of topics all about Maine. If you are interested in reading about this beautiful state, you'll find the majority of our Maine nonfiction books conveniently located in this one place. You will find a fascinating assortment of biographies, essays, sports, history and classics. The books listed here are a sampling of our collection:

## **Maine Sports & Travel**

Acadia: The Complete Guide by James Kaiser Complete Guide to Fly Fishing Maine by Bob Newman Kayaking the Maine Coast by Dorcas S. Miller Maine Lodges and Sporting Camps by Donald Wilson Off the Beaten Path: Maine by Wayne Curtis Sportsmen Say by Gene Letourneau

#### **Maine Classics**

Arundel by Kenneth Roberts

Bert and I and Other Stories from Down East
by Marshall Dodge

Come Spring by Ben Ames Williams

Country of the Pointed Firs by Sarah Orne Jewett

Pearl of Orr's Island by Harriet Beecher Stowe

Weir by Ruth Moore

## **Maine History**

Allagash by Gil Gilpatrick

Coastal Maine: A Maritime History by Roger Duncan

History of Maine by Marion Jaques Smith Revolution Downeast by James S. Leamon

Twentieth Maine: A Volunteer Regiment in the Civil War

by John Pullen

Wiscasset in Pownalborough by Fannie Chase

### **Maine Social Life & Customs**

Down East Reader edited by Nathan Fuller
Living & Writing on the Coast of Maine by Lea Wait
Nine Mile Bridge: Three Years in the Maine Woods
by Helen Hamlin

Northern Farm: A Chronicle of Maine by Henry Beston One Man's Island by Caskie Stinnett Suddenly the Cider Didn't Taste so Good by John Ford We Took to the Woods by Louise Dickinson Rich

### **Maine Biographies**

Indigo Bunting: A Memoir of Edna St. Vincent Millay by Vincent Sheehan

Joshua Chamberlain: A Hero's Life & Legacy

by John Pullen

Loving and Leaving the Good Life by Helen Nearing Morning was Starlight: My Maine Boyhood

by Ernest Dodge

My World is an Island by Elisabeth Ogilvie Next Time Around by John Gould

One Man's Meat by E.B. White Running Tide by Joan Benoit

## The Children's Room

## August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Story Time 10:30	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Chewonki! 11:00	
11	12	13	14	15	16 Story Time 10:30 Pool Party 1:00	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Chewonki! 11:00	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Family Story Time (all ages welcome) on Fridays Aug. 2 & 16 at 10:30am - Refreshments served.\*

Chewonki Visits the Library: Tide Pool Presentation on Friday Aug. 9 at 11:00am - Call with questions.

Chewonki Visits the Library: Bug Mobile on Friday Aug. 23 at 11:00am - Call with questions.

\*You must let us know of allergies prior to the program if they are a concern

## **Reading Club Announcements**

We have two more weeks of the Summer Reading Club. Children's Librarian Laurie Ridgway has been visiting Wiscasset Rec Center's Mainely Camp on Wednesday mornings. There, she reads to children, collects their reading reviews and hands out incentives. There are 34 campers registered in the Summer Reading Club.

The Read-to-Me Club (age from 10 months to 4 years-old) has 16 children registered. The 7th grade and older Reading Club which is new this year has attracted 5 teens. The long-established Summer Reading Club has 81 children signed up. Hundreds of books have been reported on and more are being read each day. Reading is a summer tradition here at the Wiscasset Public Library!

- Read-To-Me parents, stop by with your list of 20 books (if you have not already) AND pick up your child's gift bag.
- Last day to report is Wednesday, August 14.
- Celebration Pool and Pizza Party is at the Wiscasset Rec Center, Friday, August 16, 1:00—3:00pm. If your child is under 5 you must enter the pool with the child. We will serve watermelon, pizza, lemonade, ice tea and cookies. If you child is allergic, call beforehand so we can try to accommodate them. Winners of raffles will be announced at the party. Attendance not required to win.

## Thank you for supporting Bands for Books!

Many local artists and merchants contribute to the Wiscasset Public Library "Bands for Books" silent auction. This is a partial list of the contributions that will be up for bid at Bands for Books on September 2. Bid early, bid often:) and let our contributors know how much you appreciate their support of WPL.

Artist Ann Springhorn
Artist Jorge Pena
Artist Mary Barr
Artist Matt O'Donnell
Artist Virginia Forrest
BIRCH Home Furnishings & Gifts
Bliss Skin Care

Creamed Baking Company
Cubby Hole Sports Pub
Debra Elizabeth's Clothing
Fogg Art & Framing
Kingfisher Healing Arts
Mammy's Bakery
Peapod Jewelry

Rock, Paper, Scissors
Sean Rafter Scenic Flights
Sheepscot River Pottery
Sylvan Gallery
Treats
Water Lily Flowers
The Wine Ladies:)

## Friends to Friends

News from the Friends of Wiscasset Public Library



The Library and the Garden Club of Wiscasset partnered to produce this colorful new garden at the Library front entrance. This is just the most recent of the Garden Club's efforts to create places of calm and beauty for public enjoyment and the enrichment of the town. There are several lovely areas on the Library property maintained by the Garden Club. We hope you will stop by and enjoy these spots. Our outdoor areas are perfect for relaxing with a cup of tea and a nice book, of course!

## Do you know...?



WPL has a over 100 jigsaw puzzles that you can borrow with your library card. Jigsaw puzzles are a great way to keep your brain sharp. They're fun for all ages. You can enjoy them by yourself or with friends. And, they provide free entertainment that doesn't involve staring at a screen — What could be better? The puzzles are located in several locations in the library. Next time you're in, browse the offerings.

# "WPL Used Book Room" Painting by Cecilia Ludwig Donated by Trustee Richard Litz



## Ideas wanted: 2020 Programs

Library Director Pamela Dunning does an amazing job bringing in fascinating speakers for the benefit of our community. She would like to hear your ideas regarding programs for next year. What are your interests? Do you know any presenters? Email your suggestions to Pam at wpl@wiscasset.lib.me.us

In October, our group will read and discuss *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* by Heather Morris.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Cindy Fischer for serving as the long-time Discussion Chair. **Thank you, Cindy!** 

Effective this month, we welcome Janet Morgan as our new Discussion Chair. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Janet at janetcmorgan@gmail.com.



## **UBR Children's Collection**

Have you checked out the Used Book Room Children's collection lately? This summer, the UBR received several wonderful donations of gently used and new books for the Children's and Young Adult shelves. We have a nice selection of nonfiction in addition to our classics and popular fiction. Summertime is the perfect time for more reading. It also provides many opportunities to explore our natural world, seashore, and the night skies - so take a look at our nature and science books. Children's nonfiction books often include easy experiments, backyard nature projects, and great ideas for further online research. Your child can find books on poetry, boats, world time, science, geography, Vikings, mythology and more. Bring your young explorer to the Used Book Room and see what topics might spark a new interest.

Don't forget! Children's books in the UBR are all priced at \$1.00/book and the sales help support your Library.

## 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 support WPL. We meet at 9:30am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday every other month. We start with a coffee social followed by the business meeting at 10:00am. Our 2019 meeting dates:

January 14 July 8

March 11 September 9
May 13 November 11

## Friends Book Discussion Friday, August 16 at 10:15am Book Share (i.e. reader's choice)

The Book Discussion group meets in the Library Reading Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at 10:15am. We alternate between "Book Share" and "Group Read" discussions. All are welcome.

In August and September, we will have Book Share discussions. We want to hear your thoughts about your current favorite books.