

Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter September 2022

By all these lovely tokens September days are here, with summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer. ~ Helen Hunt Jackson

Director's Note

September is here and summer will soon be gone. Before we begin to lament the upcoming season change, let us remember that -- for those of us lucky enough to live in Maine -- this heralds the onset of vast vistas of color. Red, bronze, yellow, orange all emerging in the branches of the trees. One of my favorite places to view the splendor of nature is in Camden. You can drive to the top of Mount Battie and overlook the harbor and the town. The tree tops almost look like large pots of chrysanthemums. Beyond them are the lovely historic buildings and the sea. If you are willing to share some of your favorite overlooks, email me at wpl@wiscassetlibrary.org and I will list the suggestions on the Library Facebook page. Where do you go to watch the beauty of Autumn unfold?

New software update: All libraries in the Mils circulation system have changed management software. As a result, reciprocal borrowing will not be available until early December. This is the borrowing that takes place when patrons enter another library and use their Wiscasset card for borrowing. Interlibrary loans, where you request books online, will still work between the Mils libraries that you find in our card catalog. Interlibrary loans through the MaineCat catalogue will be available on September 22. When you log into the Mils card catalogue, it will ask you for your 14-digit barcode number and your pin number. Your new pin number is the last four digits of your telephone number. I know this sounds confusing. Anyone who wants to request an interlibrary loan can call the Library at 207-882-7161 and we are happy to assist you. Thank you for your patience during this transition.

Please do not help. That might sound like a strange request, but it does make sense once explained. When a book is damaged with loose pages, tears across a page, etc., please do not fix the pages for us. Book mending actually is a science that uses specific types of glues and fabric tapes that are non-acidic and disappear on the



page. When mended correctly, a book can last many more years on the shelves. Common tapes and adhesives can dry out and crack, re-breaking the repair. Tapes can also lose their adhesive qualities and start to peel off after they have yellowed and become unsightly. The book is then non-repairable and the Library has to purchase a new copy. While we appreciate the intention behind the effort, it is better for the Library if you just let us know when you hand us the item at the front desk. You can also place a note inside the book letting us know where the damage is located. We have all the appropriate materials and will fix the item to get it back on the shelf as soon as possible. Thank you for not helping.

Pam Dunning, Director



Natural History

Program

5th Monday. September at 5:00pm Bands for Books library fundraiser, Seafield 191 Indian Rd., Wiscasset. Farm. at the library: \$20 in Tickets on sale advance; \$25 at the door. Email the Friends for more info or to reserve tickets.

Wednesday, September 14th at 9:30am -Friends of WPL meeting, at the library or via Zoom. Coffee social at 9:30, meeting at 10:00. <u>Email the Friends</u> to join.

Thursday, September 15th at 10:15am - Friends of WPL Book Group meets at the library. Reader's choice of book. Share your review with the group. <u>Email the Friends</u> to join. New members always welcome.

Wednesday, September 28th at 4:30pm -Mammals of Maine, presented by Chewonki. Join us for an interactive, fun, and educational all-ages program about the marvelous creatures that live in Maine.

Library programs are free and open to the public.

Support your Library! BANDS FOR BOOKS 2022

The Friends of WPL will host their annual silent auction at Bands for Books on Monday, September 5. All proceeds will benefit the library. As a non-profit organization, Wiscasset Public Library depends on the generosity of its supporters, so we hope you will bid high and bid often!

We are incredibly grateful for the fantastic auction items donated by local families and businesses. You'll find an amazing array of items to bid on: food, art, adventures and more. Thank you, donors!

Silent Auction Donors

Craft Beer Buffs Cynthia & Don Davis Fogg & Dalton Art Restoration Virginia Forrest, Artist Jodie's Café & Bakery Pamela Logan Photography Maine Tasting Center Montsweag Restaurant Mat O'Donnell, Artist Old & Everlasting Portland Sea Dogs Sean Rafter, Aviator Rock Paper Scissors Stars Fine Jewelry Margot Stiassni-Sieracki Water Lily Flowers & Gifts The Wine Ladies Wiscasset Veterinary Hospital



Appetizers, anyone?

The Bands for Books committee welcomes anyone who would like to make an appetizer for the event. The appetizers should be individual finger food that is served cold, can easily be plated and served (no chips/dips) and require no utensils to eat. We suggest that each volunteer make enough for at least 20 small servings. If you are interested in providing an appetizer, or for more information, please email the Friends at <u>Wiscasset.Library.Friends@gmail.com.</u>

Library Humor



New on CloudLibrary

You can download your favorite authors and titles at any time of day by clicking the Cloudlibrary. link on the WPL website. You'll find audiobooks and e-books in a variety of genres. Want to see what books are new to the collection? Use the "sort" feature to select "Recent Additions." You can also scroll down the homepage to see the "Recent Additions" category lists. Use the Filters menu to select format and availability. Here are just a few of the new titles:



New Non-Fiction: Everyday Trauma

In Everyday Trauma: Remapping the Brain's Response to Stress, Anxiety, and Painful Memories for a Better Life, neuroscientist Tracey Shores looks at the possibility of healing ourselves from the impact that trauma has on our brain. By understanding how our brain responds to trauma and practicing proven techniques that can retrain our brains and help us let go of our disabling memories, we are better equipped to leave our traumatic pasts behind and live in a brighter present.



New Adult Fiction: Walk the Vanished Earth



Erin Swan's *Walk the Vanished Earth* follows seven generations of a family through the changing landscape of the Earth, to life on distant a planet and back to Earth again. Experience the power of connection within family lines and how the past can shape the future. This end-of-the-world saga contemplates new beginnings and possibilities. Ultimately, this is a story about the human ability to hold onto hope.

New Young Adult

We have some great new books in the Teen Room. Have you checked out the reorganized space? What do you think? We would love to hear your ideas and book suggestions. Email <u>hbailey@wiscassetlibrary.org</u> or stop by the desk.



You'll find even more YA e-books, audiobooks, comics, graphic novels, and manga on <u>CloudLibrary</u> and <u>ComicsPlus</u>, available 24/7 on the Library website.



Join us for an exciting, interactive program and learn about our native warm-blooded vertebrates



When you come to pick up your books, remember to get your **Crafts to Go!**





Summer Reading Club 2022

We had an exceptionally successful Summer Reading program. We had 131 registered readers at the Library and more than 75 participants at Wiscasset Rec Mainely Camp. Great job, readers!

Our Summer Reading program is completely supported by donations. A special **"Thank you!"** to the donors who made this program possible:

Ames True Value Chesterfield Associates Doug Merrill & Sons 1st National Bank The Friends of WPL Gail Burke J. Edward Knight & Co. Norm's Used Cars Now You're Cooking!

Red's Eats Soule, Soule & Logan Wendy Lamb Woodbrook Animal Clinic

News from the Friends of WPL

The Friends Book Group

Monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday at 10:15am

Book Group members discussed these books at the August meeting:

The Authenticity Project by Clare Pooley Daisy Jones and the Six by Taylor Jenkins Reid The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid The Complete Guide to Memory: The Science of Strengthening Your Mind by Richard Restak

New members are always welcome. Email the Friends for more information.



Second Hand Prose Used Book Room



Open Tuesday through Saturday when the library is open

Special events have cleared the shelves and we are now accepting books. If you have books that you are no longer reading, please consider donating them. We have a special need for children's books. Many of our visitors are families with children or grandparents who are looking for these treasures.

As these books arrive, Pam Dunning sorts through the books as some are recent releases or categories that our main library can utilize. Please allow her this opportunity. Once she has completed this process, she will bring the books to the Used Book Room.

As always, a sincere thank you to the faithful volunteers who staff our Used Book Room. Your diligence is appreciated. If you have some free time, this is a wonderful volunteer opportunity. It is enjoyable to welcome so many people to our UBR. Plus, you get first chance at purchasing our books! If you have suggestions, I'd love to hear from you. You can reach me at 207-798-2831 or lynnmaloney5@yahoo.com.

Lynn Maloney, UBR Chair

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 9:30 am on the 2nd Wednesday, every other month. We start with a coffee social followed by the business meeting at 10:00 am. Our next meeting will be held on September 14. You can find more Friends information on the <u>WPL website</u>. If you'd like to receive updates from the Friends, email us at <u>Wiscasset.Library.Friends@gmail.com</u>.



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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

Staff

Pamela Dunning, Director Haley Bailey, Librarian David Cherry, Assistant Librarian Laurie Ridgway, Children's Librarian

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