



May 2025

# Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

“May the warmth of the sun nad the fresh breeze of May greet you with a warm hello.”—Unknown

## Around the Library

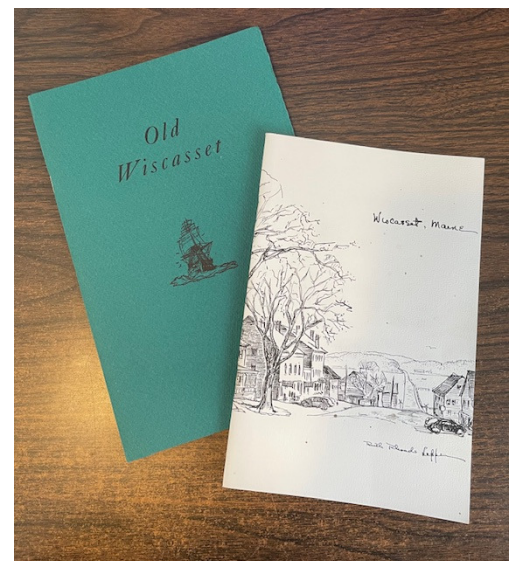
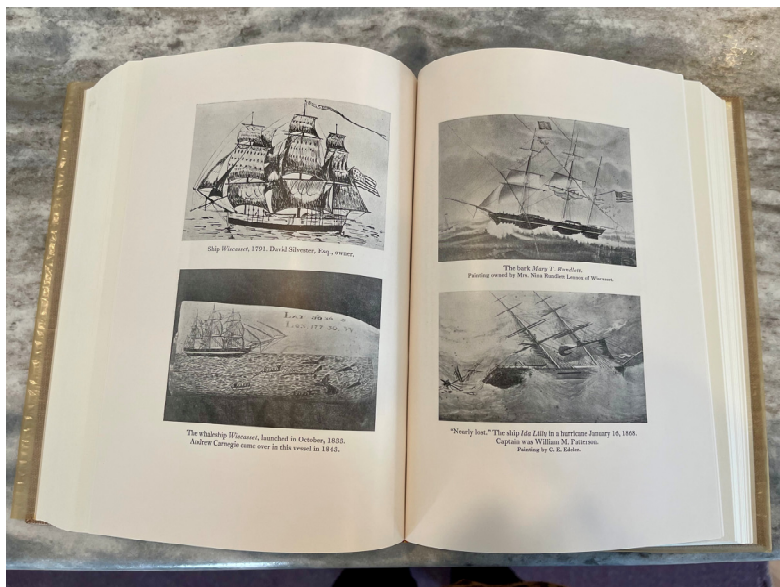
Little known fact: the best place to purchase a new copy of the books that are copyrighted by Wiscasset Public Library is right inside the Library.

- *Wiscasset in Pownalborough* by Fannie Chase published 1967, \$65.00.
- *Old Wiscasset* by William Davis Patterson published 1951, \$6.00.
- *Wiscasset, Maine* by Alton Dunstan published 1998, \$6.00.

These authors not only donated the rights to their books but also, all of their research materials. These materials have been added to the Library’s archives and are available for public use.

All three of these titles are available at the front desk. Note: that there are only three copies of the Chase book available at this time.

Don’t forget that Second Hand Prose Used Book Store , located on the ground floor of the Library, has an amazing collection of used books for very reasonable prices.



WISCASSET PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TEEN & YA ROOM NEWS



Take & Make  
Craft Kits

NEW  
ITEM



SUMMER  
READING

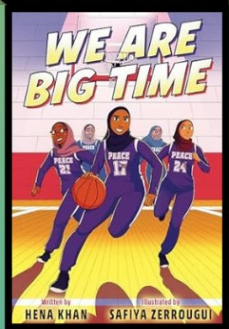
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NEW  
ITEM



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YA AWARD NOMINEE



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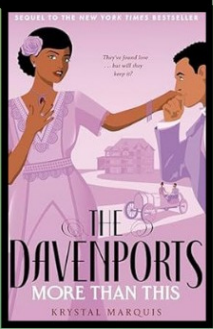
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# Wiscasset Public Library CHILDREN'S ROOM MAY 2025



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## LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

Join us for Summer Reading

For all Library Patrons, Edgcomb Eddy & Wiscasset Elementary Students.\*

Sign-up begins Tuesday, May 27. Come pick-up your reading kit & start reading!



We are giving away ten incentives this year. Wow! And many terrific Raffle prizes will be won by some lucky readers. PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL NO LONGER BE DOING BOOK REPORTS—WE ARE NOW RECORDING **MINUTES**.

\*library card not required.



### Swimmy

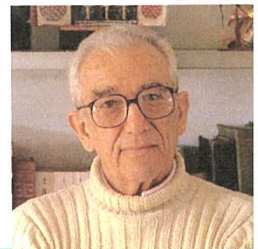
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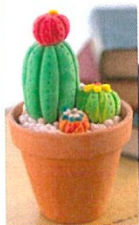
Do you remember the children's classic story *Swimmy*? Now, do you remember who wrote it? I can tell you—Leo Lionni. He was born in 1910 and passed away at the age of 89. He lived in Amsterdam, Philadelphia, New York City and Italy.

He wrote for magazines and worked in advertising. When, while traveling with his young grandchildren, he entertained them with his story telling.

His stories were such a success he started publishing them. He wrote over 40 books including *Frederick*, *Inch by Inch*, *A Color of his Own*, *The Biggest House in the World*, and many more. Stop by and see our display. Don't forget to take one or two books home to enjoy!



**MAY CRAFT KITS TO GO... 1st come 1st served.**  
**Remember Mom on Sunday, May 11.**  
**We have several choices for you to pick from.**



Magic Clay  
Cactus



Felt  
Bag



Flower  
Thermometer



Poppies for  
Remembrance



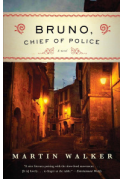
Turtle Day  
3-D Craft



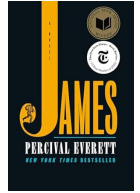
Water Color Kits

# Upcoming Events

The Friends of WPL Book Group



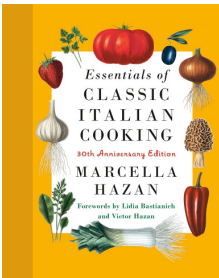
**MAY 20:** *Bruno, Chief of Police: A Novel of the French Countryside* by Martin Walker – 304 pages, 2010 – “a mystery novel about a former soldier turned police chief in a small French village who is partnered with a young policewoman from Paris to investigate the murder of an elderly North African man”



**JUNE 17:** *James* by Percival Everett – 320 pages, 2024 – “a brilliant, action-packed reimagining of The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, both harrowing and darkly humorous, told from the enslaved Jim's point of view”

Please contact Christopher at [Christopher.hart@vcfa.edu](mailto:Christopher.hart@vcfa.edu) for space availability and meeting location.

The Friends of Wiscasset Public Library's Cookbook Club's April meeting was a warm and inviting meal from Erin French's Big Heart Little Stove. Guests were greeted with a nibble board of delightful cheeses, crackers, balsamic onion jam, olives, pickles, grapes, sliced meats, and basil infused vodka lemonade. Fluffy ginger scones and salted honey butter were added to the board as diners chatted and enjoyed both the food and the art-filled home. Beautiful peach and bread salad and Mediterranean mess welcomed diners to



the table, and the seated portion of the meal began. The delicious salads were bright and fresh, and combined on plates to create a third, equally fabulous treat. Rich, flavorful asparagus and tarragon soup and flaky layered backyard biscuits with roasted rhubarb butter delighted diners. Luscious, creamy polenta and succulent pickle brined roast chicken with apples and pears asked diners to loosen their waistbands, and then came the desserts. Creamy, lush salted caramel custards with whipped cream was a taste treat, and Aunt Vinci's (delicious) oatmeal cake was moist and gorgeously spiced - another superlative meal in the books. In May the club will cook from Marcella Hazan's *Essentials of Classic Italian Cooking*, and June will be *Cooking Light's Best Of's*. The Friends of Wiscasset Public Library's Cookbook Club meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 6pm; those interested in joining should email [TheFriendsCook@gmail.com](mailto:TheFriendsCook@gmail.com).

## High Demand in Maine

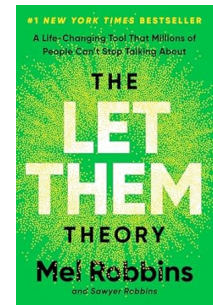
### Fiction Books

1. Sunrise of the Reaping (Collins)
2. The Summer Guests (Gerritsen)
3. Battle Mountain (Box)
4. Beautiful Ugly (Feeney)

Broken Country (Hall)

### Nonfiction Books

1. The Let Them Theory: A Life-Changing Tool That Millions of People Can't Stop Talking About (Robbins)
2. Abundance (Klein)
3. Cleavage: Men, Women, and the Space Between Us (Boylan)
4. Careless People: A Cautionary Tale of Power, Greed, and Lost Idealism (Wynn-Williams)
5. Raising Hare: A Memoir (Dalton)



NOTE: All listed titles available through interlibrary loan.

## Total Novice or Expert. All are welcome!

Heartfelt knitting with Betsy Rodman meets in the Fiction Room at 5:00 PM on the last Wednesday of each month. This is a wonderful group with many talents and varying knitting skills. You can contact Betsy at [betsybrodman@gmail.com](mailto:betsybrodman@gmail.com)



## Exciting News: Writers Group has three openings for new members!

You can contact Heather at [irishnobility19S@yahoo.com](mailto:irishnobility19S@yahoo.com) about becoming a member and for a copy of the group rules. The April meetings will be held Wednesday, the 2nd and 16th at 5:30PM.

