



September 2025

Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

"Access to knowledge is the superb, the supreme act of truly great civilizations. Of all the institutions that support to do this, free libraries stand virtually alone in accomplishing this." — Toni Morrison

Around the Library

Another great year of Summer Reading. This year's focus was to "Level Up" Readers of all ages enjoyed increasing their reading time and skills to earn raffle tickets that gave them the chance to win a prize. Congratulations to all of the raffle winners and to everyone who completed their bingos and enjoyed a summer of reading fun.

- 198 TOTAL Bingo Raffle Tickets were entered to win prizes (159 Teen, 39 Adult)
- 17 Adults, 28 Teens and 108 Children Participated in Summer Reading Bingo



The Children's Summer Reading ended with a great trip to Boothbay where they enjoyed mini-golf and ice cream .



On behalf of the
Wiscasset Public Library Children's Room
and the children who participated in the
2025 Summer Reading Program,

**LEVEL UP
AT YOUR LIBRARY**

Thank You

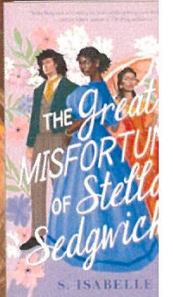
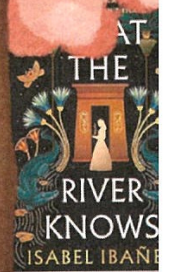
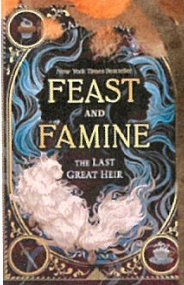
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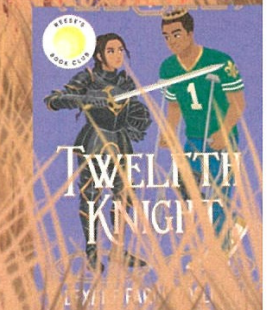
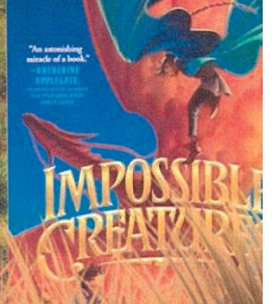
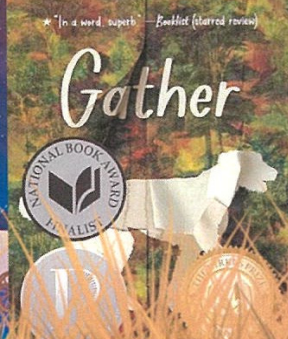
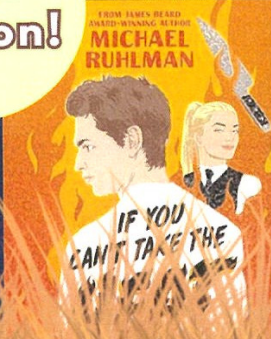
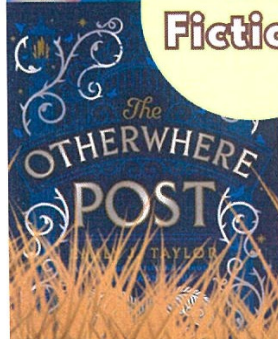
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SEPTEMBER

Teen & YA Room News



New Fiction!



Sticker
Maker!

NEW
ITEM

Make a sticker for your
back-to-school
notebook!



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September
IS LIBRARY
CARD SIGN-UP
MONTH

WPL Children's Room Announces
 "Use your Library Card Contest."
 The first 20 participants will win a
 children's admission to Smitty's*



Raffle Winners

| Raffle | Winner | Item |
|-----------|---------|---|
| 1 | Torin | Giant Kickball Croquet |
| 2 | Veva | Butterfly Girl |
| 3 | Kason | Lego Astronaut |
| 4 | Lianna | Boredom Buster |
| 5 | Charlie | Family Game Night |
| 6 | Myrick | Fortnight Purple Llama Legos |
| 7 | Michael | Skeleton Dungeon & Book <i>Zombies Unleashed</i> |
| 8 | Juniper | Mario & Princess Peach Legos |
| 9 | Isaac | Minecraft Wolf Stronghold Legos & <i>Skandar</i> Book Set |
| 10 | Chris | Archery Set |
| 11 | Miles | Windmill Farm Legos |
| 12 | Colton | The Frog House Legos |
| 13 | Wren | Bonus—\$25 Sherman's Gift |

LEVEL UP AT YOUR LIBRARY

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Summer 2025 reading wrap-up by the numbers:

108 children signed up for summer reading! Including 14 toddlers. 498 Take & Make Crafts were handed out. 25 people played mini-golf and had ice cream cones. 700+ hours were spent reading by WPL children! 77 shark teeth were counted, 44 people came out for Family Fun Nights and 22 of us learned about Tidal Pools. 128 listeners attended 9 story times. 69 scavenger hunts were completed. 615 incentives were earned and 12 raffles were won plus a bonus raffle making a total of 13. The End!



Story Time every
Friday @ 10:30

Crafts to Go—September

Week 1

Grandparents' Flower & Magnet



Week 2
Sunflowers

Week 3

Suncatchers



Week 4

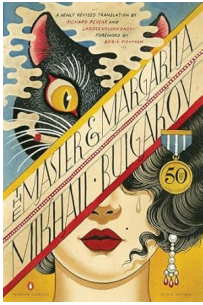
Apple & Pumpkin Picking Library Style



Thank you to all our sponsors (in Newsletter) and also to Smitty's Theater. Local Businesses make our Summer Program run!

Upcoming Events

Reminder: The Library will be closed on Saturdays until after Labor Day . We will return to those hours on Saturday, September 6.



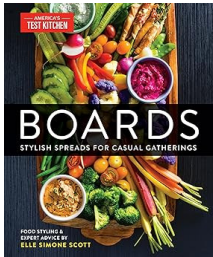
The Friends of WPL Book Group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Please contact Christopher at christopher.hart@vcfa.edu for availability and location.
The September read is ***The Master and Margarita*** by Mikhail Bulgakov (448 pgs)

Future Titles:

23 October -- *How to Read a Book* by Monica Wood

tbd November -- ***Dona Flor and Her Two Husbands*** by Jorge Amado (553 pgs)
tbd December -- ***The Usual Desire to Kill*** by Camilla Barnes (256 pgs)

On August 13, the WPL Cookbook Club met to share and savor Chinese home cooking based on recipes from the *Woks of Life* cookbook. *Woks of Life* began as a family-run recipes blog that evolved into a prominent US-based Chinese cooking site; over time it has expanded to feature some non-Chinese recipes as well. The site eventually produced a well-reviewed and best-selling cookbook published in 2022. Dishes contributed were interesting and delicious, the host's generosity was greatly appreciated, and the dinnertime conversation was, as always, congenial and lively.



The next Cookbook Club meeting will be held on September 10. As a warm up to the Wiscasset area Chamber of Commerce's Charcuterie Board Challenge on September 20, we will be experimenting with the creation of charcuterie and other food boards, using an America's Test Kitchen cookbook called *Boards, Stylish Spreads for Casual Gatherings*. If you are not a member of Cookbook Club but would like to join, please email thefriendscook@gmail.com for more information.

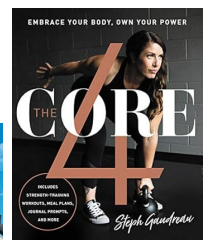
High Demand in Maine

Fiction Books

1. The Clemantine Complex—Mortimer
2. Every time I go on vacation someone dies—Mack
3. Hazel says no - A Novel—Gross
4. How to read a book—Wood
5. The last masterpiece: a novel of WWII Italy—Morelli

Nonfiction Books

1. The core 4 : embrace your body, own your power— Gaudreau
2. Monhegan: the artist's island—Curtis
3. On writing: a memoir of the craft—King
4. Abraham J Bogdanove (1886-1946): a painter of MaineHow to fight—Nicol
5. Art of the Maine islands—Little



NOTE: All listed titles available through interlibrary loan.

It's Back! Heartfelt Knitting resumes on Wednesday, September 24, from 5 to 6:30PM. Meet Betsy from Halcyon Yarn in the Fiction Room of the Library and enjoy sharing your love of the arts with others.

**Total Novice or Expert.
All will be welcome!**



Exciting News: Writers Group has openings for new members!

You can contact Heather at :
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about becoming a member and for a copy of the group rules. The September meetings will be held Wednesday, the 3rd and 17th at 5:30PM.

