



January 2026

Wiscasset Public Library Newsletter

"Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one." – Brad Paisley

Around the Library



I have been looking for a profound quote to place at the top of the January newsletter page and realized that most of the "New Year's" quotes cover just two ideas, center either looking back or looking forward. Interesting...

Why look back? After all, done is done and it can't be changed. Then I realized that I had a negative vibe going and looked at it again, from a different perspective. I look back on all that I have accomplished and enjoyed in 2025! I know that I read a lot of really good books, spent time with family and friends, enjoyed my time at work with my co-workers and had a great time talking with all of you when you came in.

Why look forward? This is simple to answer. We should all look forward to the many opportunities we have to do it all over again. Let's step into 2026 with intention to take time for ourselves, spend time with family and friends, and enjoy the new year. Following up Brad Paisley's quote above, if life is a blank page, we can fill this year's book with wonderful stories of a year well lived. !

Pam Dunning, Director

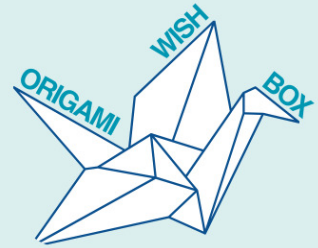
START THE YEAR



WITH A SERIES

2026

Teen &YA Room News
Wiscasset Public Library



**Take & Make
Craft Kits**

This is your library 😊

We welcome suggestions
you have for books or crafts
to add to the Teen Room!

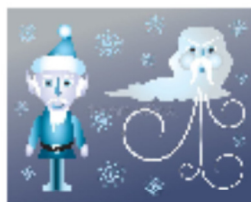
**The #1 Circulating
Book of 2025!**

WINNER

**SUNRISE
ON THE
REAPING**

SUZANNE COLLINS





WISCASSET PUBLIC LIBRARY (WPL)

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

KATHERINE APPEGATE "is the author of more than 150 books for children and young adults, including *Pocket Bear*. Noted for her exquisite use of language, she calls upon readers to connect to her stories through imagery, strong characterization, and intriguing plots. She is a #1 *New York Times*



bestselling author, and many of her works have been named an American Library Association Notable Book for Children. In addition to these accolades, several of her novels have won awards.



Happy New Year from the Children's Room! We wish you a year full of exciting stories and magical discoveries in every book.



New Year



**So many new books!
Check us out.**

Children's Storytime at Wiscasset Public Library

**Every Friday
10:30 AM**

Stories. Songs. Activities.
21 High Street Wiscasset, ME



PENGUINS



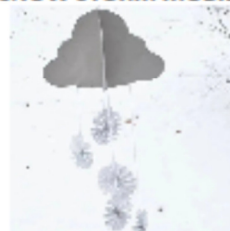
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JACK FROST MASK



SNOW STORM MOBILE



PAPER FLOWERS



BIRD CRAFTS



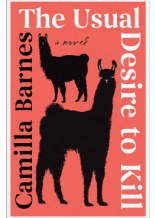
PAINT A WINTER SCENE



Upcoming Events

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.

January 20 - *The Usual Desire to Kill* by Camilla Barnes (256 pgs)



The last meeting of the WPL Cookbook Group in 2025, held December 10, celebrated Christmas, Creole-style. The group cooked from the December 2024 issue of a food magazine called Louisiana Cookin', which featured a number of flavorful and hearty Creole dishes, perfect for the holidays. Christy Guitreau hosted the evening at the

Capt. George Scott House, also known as the Octagon House, her beautiful and historic home along the Sheepscot River in Wiscasset village. As always, the evening was a reminder of the power of a shared meal to create warmth, well-being, laughter and community. The group welcomes new members, please feel free to contact Laura Neebling at lauraneebling@gmail.com if you are interested in learning more

Top Reads From Wiscasset Public Library Last Month

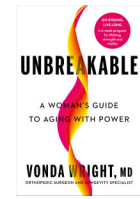
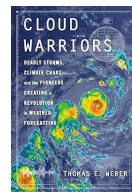
FICTION:

Smuggler's cove—Michaels
Hotel Ukraine: the final Arkady Renko novel — Smith
The book of lost hours—Gelusfo
An Inside Job — Silva
The List — Adegoke



NONFICTION:

Cloud Warriors: deadly storms, climate chaos and the pioneers creating a revolution in weather forecasting — Weber
Man's search for meaning - Frankl
Mrs. Dalloway — Woolfe
Unbreakable : a woman's guide to ageing with power - Brady
A light in the Northern Sea—Wright



All listed titles available in the WPL collection.

Heartfelt Knitting January 28 from 5 to 6:30PM.

Meet Betsy from in the Fiction Room of the Library and enjoy sharing your love of the arts with others.



Total Novice or Expert. All knit and crochet lovers are welcome!

Exciting News: Writers Group has openings for new members!

You can contact Heather at :

irishnobility19@yahoo.com
January 7 & 21 @ 5:30PM

