Auburn Public Library

Spring Newsletter 2018

www.auburnpubliclibrary.org

APL Building Trust in News

In today's often-toxic world of deliberate misinformation, the Auburn Public Library (APL) needs to be able to help our residents to separate the fact from fiction, discern the truth, and make intelligent and informed decisions when hearing or reading news on the local or national scene. Our community life depends on it.

The Library was honored to be chosen as one of just five public libraries from across the country to be selected for the Media Literacy @ Your Library project. The American Library Association (ALA) and the Center for News Literacy @ Stony Brook University initiated the pilot program to better enable library workers to help their adult patrons become more critical news consumers.

APL's goals for participating in this project have been, as our mission states, to "engage, enlighten, and enrich" our communities with the knowledge to understand, decipher, and think critically about the information they encounter every day. We look to provide individuals with the tools and perspectives with which to stop and truly understand what they are reading and hearing. Our librarians are often asked personally about "fake news" and hoaxes—such as, "Is the free ticket contest from XYZ airline for real?" Participation in the project has increased APL's staff competency to respond to and correct misconceptions, and enables us to provide the resources needed for a knowledgeable community from a trusted institution.

We have always provided our communities with thoughtful examinations of historical and current events through our varied and creative programming. APL speakers have provided perspectives on such topics as the 14th Amendment, our multi-faith roundtables offer conversations between local religious leaders and the public, and our book clubs' selections often tackle controversial and challenging subjects. We are excited that APL’s participation in the ALA project will carry the Library further in our efforts to educate our communities.

Don’t miss the 2018 Spring Online Auction!

The Library's 4th Spring Online Auction begins on May 30, offering unique items for your bidding. Last year, thanks to our generous sponsors, donors, and bidders, over $8,500 was raised to benefit the Library's programs and services! Visit www.32auctions.com/APL2018 to click, bid, and win your favorite items!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS 2018 SPONSORS:
Androscoggin Title, Austin Associates, Backwoods Snowboards and Skateboards, Community Credit Union, JM Dulac Contracting, Forage Market, Harbor One Mortgage, Ron and Joanne Lebel, Linnell Choate and Webber, Mechanics Savings Bank, Jane and Chip Morrison, Szanton Corp. and Trafton, Matzen, Belleau & Frenette.
From the Board President

Get ready to start your bidding! Our on-line auction goes live May 30, 2018 and runs through June 8, 2018.

The annual auction is a major fundraiser, providing funding for our diverse schedule of programs and events for all ages. We are grateful for the generosity of the community, with so many companies and individuals stepping up as sponsors and donors of the wonderful items that will soon be up for bid.

We hope that the Library community will help spread the word to friends, family, co-workers, neighbors, and associates to encourage new interest in the auction and to increase the bidding fun. From entertainment to dining, to collectibles, art, books, crafts, gift cards and more, we have something for everyone. It’s easy to create an account to bid “early and often,” and you know you’re supporting a great cause!

Good luck, and happy bidding!

Sonia Buck

Library Happenings

2018 Maine State Park Passes

This year, we have FIVE passes available, thanks to a very generous donation from Royal River Conservation Trust and the Androscoggin Land Trust. The Maine State Park Pass admits the pass holder and occupants of the pass holder’s vehicle, up to a 17 passenger maximum, to day-use facilities for day-use only. It cannot be used for camping. **There are some state parks that don’t accept the pass.** Call or stop by the children’s room to learn more. The pass can be borrowed for one day.

Music Swap

Have some old CD’s or vinyl records in good condition that you have heard a thousand times? Bring them to our first ever music swap and trade them to bring a fresh sound to your summer road trips. **July 11th 4:00 – 6:00 PM**

For Those Rainy Day Blues

Stop in to use the 3D printer or try your hand in our Makers Corner. Print your own creation and learn a new skill!

Trace Your Roots!

Need help finding Aunt Mabel in the family tree? Join us on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 - noon for assistance with your genealogy search. Use the in-library programs Ancestry.com or Heritage Quest, or get help with your own FamilySearch account – the information could be just a click away!

Saturday Spring Book Sales!

Auburn Public Library will open its book sale room on **Saturdays through June 16, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**. We have thousands of gently used books for sale, with prices starting at 25 cents. The sale will be held in the book sale room on the lower level of the library.

Read ME

ReadME, connecting Maine’s reading community through a statewide summer reading program, offers Maine’s adults the chance to all read the same books by Maine authors. Check out this summer’s books, recommended by Maine author Paul Doiron, on the APL website!
Thank You to Our Supporters

January - December 2017

Cloud 9 Day Spa and Wellness Center
Central Maine Credit Union
Mr. and Mrs. Marc Chabot
Chappies Pampered Pets Inc.
Chewy Chewy Yum Yums
Christian Ridge Pottery
Ned and Kitsie Claxton

The Library hosted the exhibit
Marking Time: Voyage to Vietnam,
presenting the stories of young American soldiers and
Marines going to Vietnam during the 1960's, through graffiti left on a troopship's bunk canvases.

Debora and John Cleveland
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Clifford
Community Credit Union
Community Little Theater
The Condit Family
Mr. Austin Conrad
Ms. Susan Cooper
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cormier
Dr. and Mrs. Paul Cote
Mrs. Majorie Creaser
Ms. Linda Cronkite
Mr. and Mrs. John Crouch
Ms. Tizz Crowley
Cumberland County Mortgage
Sarah Cunningham
Mrs. John Curtis
Jane and John Daly
Mr. and Mrs. John D'Amour
David Das and Jane Costlow
Day's Jewelers
Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Defilipp
Mr. and Mrs. Normand Demers
Vinay and Geeta Desai
Ms. Alexis Desroches
Ms. Claudia Diller
Mr. Steve Dillon
Mr. Rick Dodge
DuBois Realty Group
Mr. and Mrs. Richard DuBois
Dr. and Mrs. Edward J. Dwyer Jr.
Mr. Kirk Egge
Dr. and Mrs. Peter Elias
Emerson Toyota
Evergreen Subaru
Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Faiman
Fales & Fales, P.A.
Fielder's Choice Homemade Ice Cream
Fireside Stove Shop
Flagship Cinemas
The Fletcher Foundation
Mrs. Kristen Flynn
Ms. Brenda Fontaine
Fox Ridge Golf Club, LLC
Franco Center
Mr. Dana J. French
Gamache & Lessard Co. Inc
Mrs. Magella Gardner
Mr. Robert Gardner
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gautier
Geiger Bros.
Mr. K.C. Geiger
John and Susan Geismar
George's Pizza
Mr. and Mrs. Miles Goodell
Mr. Joel Goodman
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gould, Jr.
Stuart and Nancy Greene
Greenwood Orchards
Ms. Kathryn Grefer-Kirkland
Mr. Robert Grieshaber
Ms. Louise Griffin
Gritty McDuFf's
David and Alice Haines
HAIR by Gregory's
Ms. Carol Ham
Melinda and Ralph Harder
Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes
Hilton Garden Inn Auburn Riverwatch
Ms. Nann B. Hilyard
Lydia and Eric Howes
Huber Associates
IBM
Ms. Laura Juraska
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Keene
Mr. John L. Kelley
Mr. Joseph Kelliher, III
Ms. Dorothy F. Kern
Key Bank
Kimball Street Studios
The Honorable Angus King
Ms. Sharon Kinsman
Mr. and Mrs. George Krapovicky
Mrs. Ellen Conant Krohn
Hon. Mr. Jonathan Labonte
Lamey Wellahan
Ms. Victoria Larson
LAVA - Fondue Restaurant &
Show Lounge
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lebel
Lee Auto Mall
Ms. Dawn Leighton

Auburn Public Library www.auburnpubliclibrary.org
Mr. and Mrs. Regis Lepage
Mrs. Joan Levenson
Lewiston Auburn Children's Foundation
Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Club
The Library of America
Dr. Dana Little
Ms. Pamela Little
Ben and Bonnie Lounsbury
Mr. and Mrs. William Low
Mrs. Joan Lynch-Picard, RN
Mrs. Joan Macri
Maine Arts Commission
Maine Huts and Trails
The Maine Real Estate Network
Maine State Music Theater
Ms. Vivian Mancine
Ms. Paula Marcus-Platz
Mrs. Virginia Marczak
Mrs. Kate B. Marmaras
Martinlade Country Club
Linda and Kelly Matzen
Ms. Lisa Mayer and Rabbi Sruki Dresdner
Ms. Susanne McAllister
Mrs. Elizabeth B. McColl
Ms. Elaine McCarty
Ms. Sharon McGilvary
Mr. Kyle McLellan
Robert and Cynthia McLeod
Mechanics Savings Bank
Dr. Elizabeth Meid
Mr. Roland Metayer and
Ms. Claire Breton
Mike Morin's Auto Center
Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell
Ms. Zam Zam Mohamed
Mrs. Cynthia Morgan
Ms. Rachel Morin
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrison
Ms. Nancy Morrow
Ms. Joanne Morse
Mrs. Nancy Moyer
Ms. Audrey Murphy
Mr. David Murphy and
Ms. LibBeth Robinson
John F. Murphy Homes
Ms. Joan B. Neal
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ness
Mary-Margaret Ney
Ninth Tone Voice Studios
Mrs. Dorothy Crowley Noel
Norman, Hanson & DeTroy
Norway Savings Bank Arena
Mr. John O'Donnell
Orbit Hairstyling
Ms. Pam Riley Osborn
Richard and Sandra Osgood
Mrs. Suzanne O'Sullivan
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice A. Ouellette
Outdoor Sports Institute
Ms. Tara Paradie
Mr. Robert Parnes
Ms. Camille Parrish and
Mr. Kirk D. Read
Paypal Charitable Giving Fund
Ms. Mary Perkins
Mrs. Cindy Petherbridge
Malcolm and Sandra Philbrook
Ms. Johanna Pickering
The Pickwick Club
Pine Acres Golf Course
Pinette Dillingham and Lynch
Mr. James A. Pittman
Platz Associates
Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Plavin
Mr. Ronald A. Poirier
Ms. Ariel Pollack
Ms. Julie Porter
Portland Museum of Art
The Public Theatre
Rails
Rainbow Bicycle
Mrs. Egidia Sonagere
Mrs. Eugene St. Pierre
Star Hill Studio
Ms. Donna Stockno
Mr. Robert Stone
Richard and Jacqueline Strong
Sugarloaf Mountain Corp
Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan
Lewiston Sun Journal
Mr. Jonathan Swan
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sylvester
Ms. Mary Sylvester
Tabers, Inc.
Mare and Wendy Tardif
Mr. and Mrs. James E. Thomas
Ms. Patricia Thomas
Thordike Press
Mrs. Catherine Thorpe
Mrs. Maureen M. Tibbetts
Ms. Diana Tilley
Mr. Al Tomlinson
Town Fair Tire
Trafton Matzen Belleau and
Frenette, LLP
Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Trafton
Susan and Woody Trask
Tripp's Farmhouse Café
Mr. Steve Turner
Mr. Ralph Tuttle
Ms. Stephanie Upton
Ronald and Barbara Vallee
The Vault
Mr. Charles Wade
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wagner
Dr. Robert Wakefield
Ms. Sarah Wakefield
Stanley and Meredith Walker
Donna and Bill Wallace
Ms. Joan Webb
Ms. Patricia Weidler and
Mr. Donald Fogg
Wei-Li Restaurant
Dr. and Mrs. Robert Weiss
Richard and Bridget Whiting
Ms. Sheryl Whitmore
Ms. Marilyn R. Wilkinson
Dr. Tamara Willoughby
Yelp Foundation
Mr. and Mrs. William Young

Andrew Oeh, author of "Unusual for Their Time: On the Road with America's First Ladies."

discussed his research on the country's First Ladies.

Mrs. Tonie L. Ramsey
Mr. David Rand
Mr. and Mrs. William Randall
Mr. Daniel Rausch
The Reiki Room, Lewiston
Mr. Barry Richardson
Mr. Bernard T. Ricker
Dr. Betty D. Robinson
Ms. Polly Robinson
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ross
Ms. Karen Ross
Mrs. Arlyne R. Sacks
Ms. Robin Sanford
Schooner Estates
Select Physical Therapy
Ms. Carol A. Seward
Barbara and Michael Shapiro
Mr. J. Gregory Shea and
Ms. Susan Wygal
Ms. Bonnie Shulman
Ms. Anne Skelton
Mr. Peter Skowronski
Ms. Sandra Smith

*We have checked our list very carefully, please let us know if there is an error.
From the Second Floor—Adults and Teens

There’s always something happening at any public library, and APL is no exception!

Teens have kept busy with Tech Week, Great Stories Club, Life Skills, homework help, and the Media Lab.

New this year is the Teen Advisory Board, which focuses on providing resources and programs not available at the high school, and a New Adult Forum, in association with the Auburn Police Department’s Work with ME program.

Adults have enjoyed “armchair travel” through APL’s speakers, book clubs, and programming. Camden Conference programs examined the world refugee crisis; World War I was examined through the eyes of the Doughboys who served. Local authors offered their insights into the Androscoggin Irish, Edward Little, and their memoirs.

Book clubs discussed historical fiction, climate change, and health and wellness topics.

And the always-fun Farmers Market brought foods, crafts, and baby goats to brighten a gloomy February afternoon.

Don’t forget – whenever you need a little tech help, “Computing with Maureen” is regularly scheduled for Tuesday mornings!

Children’s Corner

Always a hub of activity, the Children’s Room juggles programs for APL’s youngest visitors, ages birth-12 years, with story times, Lego Clubs, and Crafternoons. This year our visitors the Library, accompanied by their humans from Chewonki, Mr. Drew brought snakes, tarantulas, and lizards, and APL canine friends Addie and Gunnar listened to early readers on our “Read to a Dog” afternoons. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) programs continue to be popular, as aspiring scientists experiment with Squishy Circuits, create dynamic playdough sculptures that light up and buzz, and learn from Mad Science of Maine. And on Saturdays, local volunteer story lady, Judy D’Amour, leads children ages 2 - 6 in interactive stories, rhymes, songs, creative dramatics, and a craft.

There’s never a dull moment in the Children’s Room!

From the Director - The Last Word

Dear Friends of APL,

The Auburn Public Library was very fortunate – and very gratified - to receive the Media Literacy grant described on Page 1, and to work with Judith Meyer, Executive Editor of the Lewiston SunJournal, in creating the pilot programs for our fellow libraries. But we are not just assisting other libraries’ efforts nationwide, we are helping our own community to be better news consumers. This grant award is a credit to APL’s staff and to our community connections. Projects like this strengthen existing collaborations and create new ones.

One such new collaboration for the Library is with the Stanton Bird Club as they celebrate their centennial and the International Year of the Bird. We are delighted to host programs with Stanton this fall, and hope you will join us to explore the wonderful diverse birdlife in our area.

APL trustee Barbora Trafton, Stanton Bird Club president Jeri Mauer, and Rep. Bettyann Sheats (standing) are planning programs for the Year of the Bird and Stanton’s 100th anniversary.

College Night for Teens

Teens and parents -- join admissions representatives from 8 Maine colleges on October 18 for a panel discussion of the admissions process. Following the discussion and a Q&A session, admissions reps from the colleges will be available with information specific to their schools. An information session and hands-on workshop on College Financing and the FAFSA will follow on October 25.

The APL Cart

Auburn Public Library @ Minot Town Hall

The APL Cart visits the Minot Town Offices on the third Thursday of each month from 4:00 - 6:00 PM.

Minot residents can obtain a library card at no cost. Simply present proof of residency (such as your driver’s license) at the APL Cart or at the Auburn Public Library. With a library card you may also borrow items from the Lewiston Library.

www.auburnpubliclibrary.org
Summer Reading at APL
This summer, “Libraries Rock!” with the Auburn Public Library’s Summer Reading programs!

The Children’s Department will kick off the 2018 Summer Reading Program with a high energy performance of “Sounds of Science” by Mad Science of Maine. More musical adventures follow with West African Rhythms and Songs with Anneget Baier, and a family concert with Rob Duquette. And don’t forget our annual “Happy Birthday, America” party!

Teens will kick off their program with a “Chicks With Sticks Steel Drummers” concert. Open to all ages, this fun concert will be held on our front lawn. Activities will include a Rock Band competition on the XBox 360, a Just Dance 2018 competition on the Wii, a do-it-yourself music workshop with musician Aaron Wardwell, the summer Book Club, Pizza & Pages, and music-themed movies like Pitch Perfect and School of Rock — all with weekly prize drawings.

Adults - summer reading is not just for kids! Please join us for our Summer Music Swap, a concert by Marc Black recalling the history of the 1950’s and 1960’s through music, and the Auburn Page Turners Book Group discussions of The Hare with Amber Eyes and The Devil in the White City.

We have a great collection of beach reads, audiobooks for those long car rides, and e-readers for you to borrow. Plus, we’re a great destination for a rainy day, with movies, activities, coloring pages, maker’s corner activities, and more.

Be sure to check the website for a full listing of events www.auburnpubliclibrary.org