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2023 Newsletter



APL's Cats in the Library Program Reaches Milestone

The Cats in the Library partnership with the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society began in June of 2020. We have had cats of all sizes, including Tiggie, a 26-pound tiger cat; and bonded pairs like Wilhelmine & Geraldine, and Tomie & Gizmo. Some have been with us for only a few days, while others took a little bit longer to find their forever homes.

"The GAHS is so thrilled to be partnering with the Auburn Public Library to foster kitties in need of adoption. Older cats, bonded pairs, and "wallflowers" get special attention at the Library, whereas they can get overlooked at the shelter. This program has helped many cats find their "fur-ever home" already and we know many more will in the future too!"

Katie Lisnik, the Executive Director of GAHS

APL Launches New Website

We are thrilled to announce the new Auburn Public Library website launched earlier this spring. We felt an upgrade to our site would make it easier for our customers to navigate, find what they are searching for, and simply cruise around. The website features a new calendar with easy-to-use filters to search for programs based on age or program type. Reservations for our Androscoggin Community Room and our Conference Room have been brought into the digital era. Instead of needing to call the library, customers can simply go to our meeting rooms page to see room availability and make their reservations directly on the website.

It's official, our **New Site** has lunched!



"The new website is terrific. It allows us to really showcase our programs and collections. We put so much effort into these and we want the community to see what we have to offer. You can register for a program, download an ebook, do research through our databases, and see what's new in our collection. It's all there for everyone with just a few clicks."

- Mamie Ney, APL Library Director

We encourage everyone to explore the site and let us know what you think!



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Monday: 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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From the Board President



Hello APL Customers and Friends,
Spring is finally here in beautiful Auburn, Maine. Flowers are blooming, buds are popping, and the grass is turning green! The fresh air seems to be invigorating us all. Things are popping here at APL as well. It is so refreshing to see people in the library enjoying the many programs that are meeting in person again. Book club discussions, informative learning opportunities, interesting speakers, children's programs, and even more cats to adopt are all happening! Book Sales are open in the Androscoggin Room every Saturday from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM through June. Cibo's is open to satisfy your pizza cravings! The best way to keep current on all this is to sign up for APL's Weekly Newsletter, find us on Facebook, and/or check out our updated and improved APL website (www.auburnpubliclibrary.org).

Spring is also the time we raise money for many of the programs and materials the library has to offer. This year's "Book Around Town: Businesses, Baskets, and Beers" is being held at Side By Each Brewing Company on Sunday, June 18th from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. This family-friendly community event features over 30 themed gift baskets to be raffled off, as well as our Summer Reading Kickoff! Side by Each has just opened its own in-house eatery and we are excited to host our event with this amazing community partner.

A special thank you goes out to our local business sponsors and donors who make our fundraiser possible.

Thank you all for your continued support of the Auburn Public Library. I hope to see you at the library checking out books, gathering for events, or attending some program offerings!

Respectfully,
Pat Gautier
President
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Books on the Board: What the APL Board is Reading



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Kindly let us know if there is an error.*



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Director's Note



Although I'm a winter person who prefers to read in front of a fire with a hot beverage, I still find summer reading magical. I have so many good memories...going to the Lewiston library and coming home with a stack of books. Later on, I would go to the Orr's Island Library, where I discovered one of my favorite Maine authors - Elizabeth Ogilvie. My dad was especially encouraging of my reading. One summer I discovered the Donna Parker books. We made several trips

from Harpswell to Falmouth to get me the next few volumes, which were read in no time! (I still have most of them!) A good beach read is always so enticing and we have so many to offer you. We also have some very compelling books that will make you sit up and go "Hmm..." Might I suggest the two novels that are a part of the Maine Humanities Council's Read ME statewide program? The curating author this year is Colin Woodard. He has chosen Morgan Talty's award-winning book Night of the Living Rez and Lungfish by Meghan Gilliss. These books will challenge you and give you lots to ponder. Classic summer beach read they are not; but, they will weigh on your mind long after that last visit to the beach.

Please don't forget the importance of summer reading for the younger ones! It is so important that they read during the summer to avoid the "summer slide" or losing their reading skills. Comprehensive studies show that 3rd to 5th graders lose, on average, about 20 percent of their school-year gains in reading. Don't let that happen! Encourage fun reading and activities. There is no better way to do that than to sign up for our children's reading program...books, programs, and prizes!

For one and all, whatever you do, read what you like and like what you read!

See you at the library, Mamie

Welcome To Our Newest Employees



Leah J. Shelver

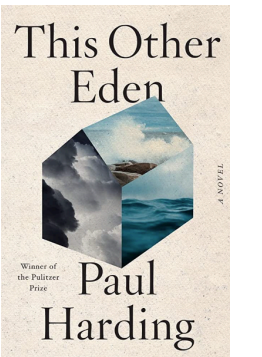


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Director's Picks



Auburn Public Library's Book Around Town



Join us this Father's Day at Side by Each Brewing Co. to support APL and win amazing goods from local businesses!



1110 Minot Avenue, Auburn

Sunday, June 18th
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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June 21st
Session 1: 2:00 PM
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MAKE A PIZZA AT CIBO!
June 26th 4:00 PM

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APL Kids SUMMER READING Book Club
Starting June 30th 4:00 PM

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