

March 2024



William Fogg Library Events and News

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Special Events

Events are subject to change. Check the [website](#) for the most up-to-date information.



Tax Prep Help

In association with AARP, the library is once again offering free assistance with tax preparation every Tuesday and Thursday until April 11th.

Stop by the library or call to set up an appointment with one of our highly trained volunteers! Sorry, no walk-ins.

Book Club

Interested in joining the Book Club? Contact the Library as soon as possible! We order copies through interlibrary loan for participants!

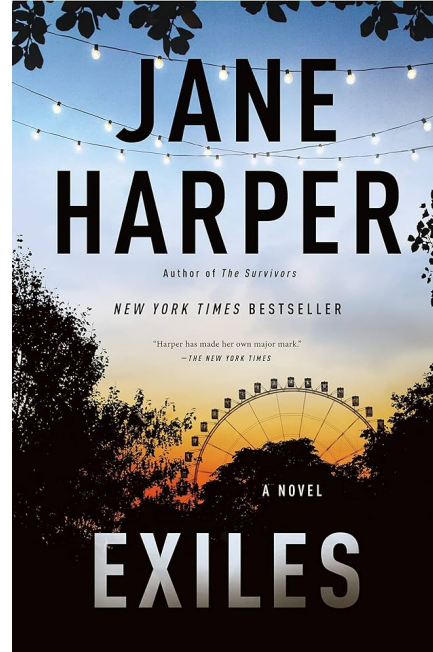
This month's book will be *Exiles* by Jane Harper.

Summary: Federal Investigator Aaron Falk is on his way to a small town deep in Southern Australian

wine country for the christening of an old friend's baby. But mystery follows him, even on vacation.

This weekend marks the one-year anniversary of Kim Gillespie's disappearance. One year ago, at a busy town festival on a warm spring night, Kim safely tucked her sleeping baby into her stroller, then vanished into the crowd. No one has seen her since. When Kim's older daughter makes a plea for anyone with information about her missing mom to come forward, Falk and his old buddy Raco can't leave the case alone.

As Falk soaks up life in the lush valley, he is welcomed into the tight-knit circle of Kim's friends and loved ones. But the group may be more fractured than it seems. Between Falk's closest friend, the missing mother, and a woman he's drawn to, dark questions linger as long-ago truths begin to emerge. What would make a mother abandon her child? What happened to Kim Gillespie?



Wednesday
March 13th
3:00 - 4:00 PM

Ready! Set! Read!

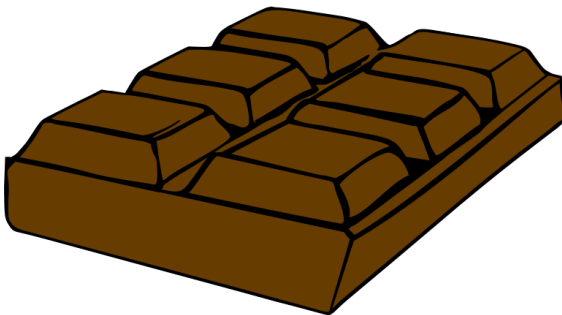
March is National Reading Month, and in conjunction with that, the library is promoting reading AND asking you to help support the library in a fun way.

Books are great sources of information, enjoyment and escape so what better way to help the library than to participate in our Read-a-Thon! The Read-a-Thon kicks off March 1st and runs through March 30th.

Prizes will be given in Children's, Teen and Adult categories for most books read and most money raised. It's easy to participate—simply get a packet from the front desk or Kent Room and keep track of how many books you read during the Read-a-Thon. Ask family members, friends and colleagues to support you by pledging to donate a certain amount for each book you read. The amount is up to them. All participants will receive commemorative buttons and will also be entered into our random prize drawing. The prizes for winners in each category are posted at the



Did you know that the library has passes to some of the areas most amazing museums, and that you can use these passes for free? It's true; we do! These passes are your ticket to incredible learning, cultural, historical and scientific experiences, as well as lots of fun! We have passes for the **Children's Museum of Maine**, the **Children's Museum of New Hampshire**, the **Portland Museum of Art**, the **New England Aquarium**, the **Boston Museum of Science**, the **Boston Museum of Fine Arts**, **Strawbery Banke** and the **Seacoast Science Center**. You can reserve these passes at the front desk. Start exploring today!



Chocolate Sale a Sweet Success!

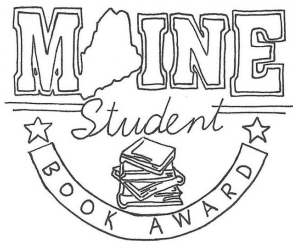
Thank you to all who helped make our Decadent Chocolate Affair a sweet success. From those who baked to those who bought, we really appreciate the support! The sale raised nearly \$500 and only crumbs were left!

Handy Help

The library has a number of small "handyman" tasks that need doing. If you run a repair business, are handy or know someone who could help, please speak to the director. We are hoping to get some of these minor services donated. If you wish to help support some of the bigger maintenance needs, please see the director about ways you can donate financially to this cause.



The books nominated for both the Maine Student Book Award and the Chickadee Award are available right now in the library, along with ballots so that you can participate in the



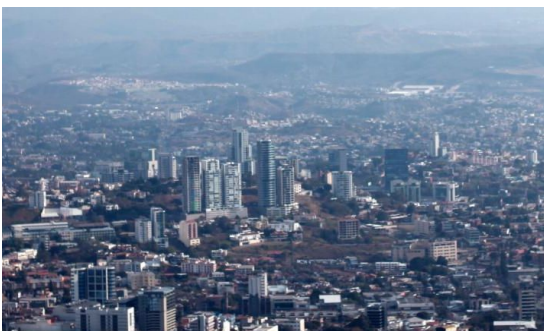
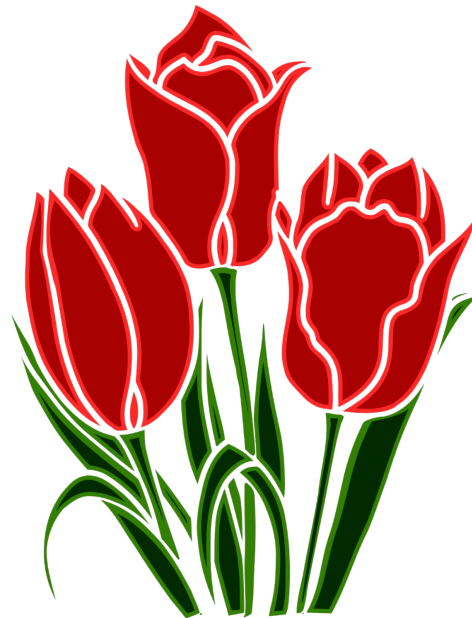
voting!

MSBA books are suggested for readers in grades 4-8, and the voting ends on April 1st.

Chickadee books are suggested for readers in grades K-4, and the voting ends on March 29th.

Green & Beautiful to Be Unveiled

The plans for the Green & Beautiful transformation of the library grounds will soon be unveiled. We hope to have an evening presentation whereby we can introduce these gorgeous designs and provide information as to their purpose and benefits. There will also be many ways for individuals and the community to participate. Our thanks to all who have been involved in getting us to this stage, including: Barbara Longstaff, Mary Dennett, Sarah Mackel, Polly Warner, Chris Roux, Fred McMullen and Dan Rawling. Your input and expertise, not to mention hands-on efforts, have been greatly appreciated. Please watch our website, social media and library postings for our G&B date.



The skyline of Tegucigalpa, Honduras, courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

**This
month:
Honduras**

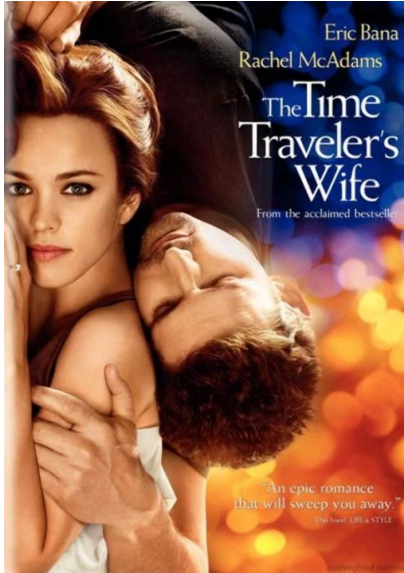


World Citizens

A storytime for little world citizens in grades pre-k through third grade. Explore songs, activities, stories, and crafts from around the world.

**Saturday
March 2nd
10:30 - 11:30 AM**

We will visit one country a month and each trip will feature a visit from a special guest from that country and a potluck!



Book to Movie Discussion

This month's Book to Movie is *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger.

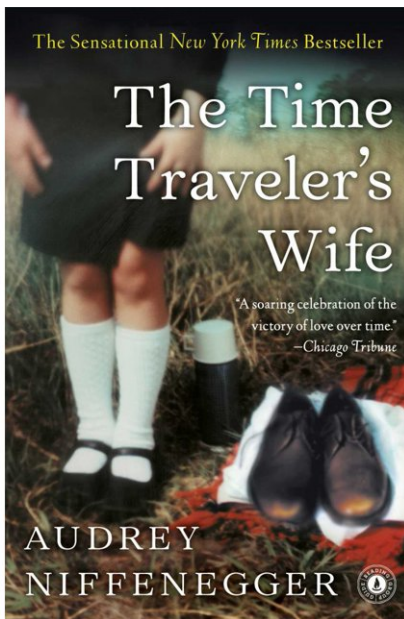
The movie, starring Eric Bana and Rachel McAdams, will be shown on

**Tuesday
March 5th
5 - 7 PM**

The book discussion will take place a week later:

**Tuesday
March 12th
5 - 7 PM**

Copies are available at the front desk right now, and you do not have to have seen the movie in order to participate.



Poetry Tea Party

Come and enjoy tea and cookies, and bring your favorite poem to share! It can be your work or one of your favorites. Open to ages 5 - 105.

**Saturday
March 16th**





Career Workshop

Marcella Spruce from the Maine Department of Labor will be hosting a career workshop at the library. Information about job hunting and resume building will be made available, so please join us!

Tuesday
March 19th
1 - 3 PM

Introducing: Bad Movie Matinee!

They're not bad, just misunderstood! Our new young adult program features a new piece of cinematic wreckage from the ~~garbage pile~~ vaults of movie history every month!

This month's feature is 1973's *Godzilla vs. Megalon*, a rubber-suited kaiju rampage featuring probably the most useless giant robot ever!

Don't miss the so-bad-it's-good fun, along with free pizza and popcorn, showing in the Fogg House!

Saturday
March 23rd
1 - 3 PM



Zentangle Two

We're hosting a second introductory lesson for Zentangle, the easy-to-learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Come create with us!

All are welcome, even if you missed the first lesson.

Registration is required, so please call



or stop by the library. The cost is \$10, all materials provided.

**Tuesday
March 26th
5 - 7 PM**

Dungeons and Dragons club looking for new players

If you have a D&D enthusiast in middle school and they'd like to take part in our game, they can come to our weekly session at 5 PM every Thursday!

For more information, contact Children's Services Coordinator John Roe at John@williamfogglibrary.org



Weekly Activities

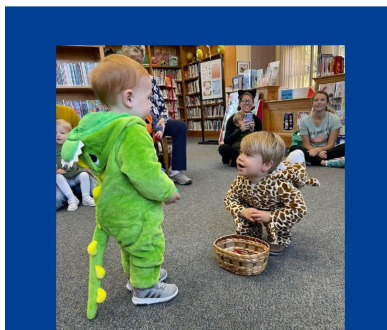
Storytimes



BABY STORYTIME

TUESDAYS @ 10:30

An opportunity to connect with other parents and caregivers. And a baby storytime too.



TODDLER STORYTIME

THURSDAYS @ 10:30

Songs, fingerplays, stories, felt board, music, and more!



SCHOOL AGE STORYTIME

THURSDAYS @ 2 PM

For pre-k - 3rd grade. Wind down after school with great read alouds and a craft. Then pick out your books for the week!

Get Involved!

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Join the Teen Advisory Board (TAB) for a fun and exciting way to help plan programs, earn volunteer hours, and meet new people! Ages 13 and up welcome!

[Fill out this form to apply today!](#)



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