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The newsletter for the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine

April 2012

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onto your Smartphone and enter/scan your library barcode number. When you come in, bring your library card up on your Smartphone. Hand your phone to the staff as you would your real library card, and we'll scan it. We will ask you to verify the name on the library account, but no other form of ID will be required. Try it!

Hours

Monday & Wednesday	9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday	9:30 am - 6:00 pm
Friday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday Sept.–May	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday June–August	9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Story Times

Books & Babies

6–24 months

Tuesday 10:00 am

Preschool

Up to age 5

Mondays

10:30 am & 1:00 pm

Thursday

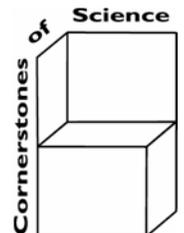
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Thoughts of Monarchs

Since 2008 the Children's Room has been raising monarch butterflies. This year, if there is interest, we will have a limited supply of monarch caterpillars to take home and raise.

They will arrive in early August from Kansas, need to be fed fresh milkweed for two weeks, and released about two weeks later when they emerge from their chrysalis. Tags will be provided, too, so you can do the whole process at home. Reporting will be done to Mrs. Parker. If you would like to be a part of this watchable wildlife program contact Mrs. Parker at 892-1908 or by email at lparker@windham.lib.me.us.



Our monarchs come from Monarch Watch based at Kansas University. If you would like to help financially support the program...**AT NO COST TO YOU!**...use a link at <http://monarchwatch.org/amazon> to visit and shop at Amazon.com, Endless.com, Amazon Wireless, or SmallParts.com. Monarch Watch will receive a "commission" equal to a percentage of your purchase amount (currently 4-15%). This applies to ANY purchase at Amazon's stores - Apps, Books, Clothing, Electronics, Movies, Music, Office Supplies, Shoes, Tools, Toys, etc. In December 2011 items ordered using our links totaled 565 and these purchases earned Monarch Watch \$908.21. No personal information is gathered, just that the purchase was made through Monarch Watch's link.

Mrs. Parker has put together a presentation about the library monarchs. Contact her at the library if you would like to have her share a program with your local civic group. The butterfly project is completely funded by Cornerstones of Science.





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Thursday April 12th / 2:30-3:30 pm / Free for ANY kid, grades 6-12 / Light snack included / Windham Public Library meeting room.

Topic for discussion: **From word to screen: looking at books that were made into movies and TV shows**

Title suggestions: <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/Books2Movies.pdf>

Activity: Wii scavenger hunting

Plan ahead: May 10th. Topic for discussion: **Wow, that really happened? Stories about real people or real events.** Title suggestions: <http://www.windham.lib.me.us/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/RealPeopleEvents1.pdf>

Tea for you @the library

The next library tea will be on Tuesday, April 17th at 1:30 pm. Please join us!



February BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday ~ April 24th ~ 6:15 pm

Registration required ~ please call 892-1908

Making sense of the Civil War is designed as a series of five conversations exploring different facets of the Civil War experience, informed by reading the words written or spoken by powerful voices from the past and present.

RETIRED MILITARY ONLINE NEWSLETTERS

Each branch of the armed services publishes an online newsletter for its retirees. Keep current with:

AIR FORCE *Afterburner* www.retirees.af.mil/afterburner

ARMY *Echoes* www.armyg1.army.mil/rso/echoes.asp

COAST GUARD *Evening Colors* <http://www.uscg.mil/hg/cg1/pscretnews>

MARINE CORPS *Semper Fidelis* www.usmc.mil (hover over

Marine Services, click on Retired Services, hover over Retired Activities in left menu and click on Semper Fidelis)

NAVY *Shift Colors* www.shiftcolors.navy.mil



April 15 - 21 : Volunteer Appreciation Week

How does the library benefit from volunteers? We have volunteers who:

- Repair books, saving the library hundreds of dollars every month on replacement copies of high-volume or out-of-print items
- Cover new books with special covers that keep the books protected from the elements and from wear-and-tear
- Re-shelve the hundreds of items that are returned week after week
- "Read" the shelves in an effort to keep the over-45,000 books, movies, audios, kits, and magazines in proper order so you can find that item you want when you look for it
- Inventory the library materials, checking for missing and/or mis-filed items
- Care for the African violets and other plants that adorn the library space, helping to make the library a welcoming place to spend time



The library is also supported by volunteers from the Friends of the Windham Public Library and by town-appointed Library Trustees. All of the volunteers do their part to keep our library running, and hopefully make the library a place that everyone enjoys. **We'd like to say "Thank you!" to all of our library volunteers!**