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The newsletter for the Windham Public Library Windham, Maine

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

March 2012



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

10:30 am



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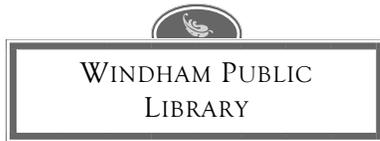
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WPL Teen Group



FOR: Kids only! Grades 6-12
MEET: 2nd Thursdays, 2:30-3:30, in Windham Public Library meeting room
PROGRAM: This is an after school program at the Public Library. Kids can enjoy a snack, chill out and talk about books/ audios. Each month we'll have a topic (example: Scary books). The group will talk about those types of books and what they liked/hated about them. The librarian will also bring an assortment of the Library's books that follow the theme, and give other suggestions for that theme.
ADDED PERKS: be among the first to see & check-out newly purchased Teen books/audios!
REGISTRATION/FEE: none. Bring your friends!
FMI: ask someone upstairs, or call Barbara or Sally @ 892-1908, or bkeef@windham.lib.me.us or sbannen@windham.lib.me.us



The American Library Association has announced that March 5 -10th is **TEEN TECH WEEK**. Stop by the meeting room on March 8th from 2:30-3:30 and transform some tech trash into something that's tech terrific.
FMI, call Sally or Barbara @ 892-1908

Tea for you @the library

The next library tea will be on Tuesday, March 6th at 1:30 pm. Please join us!



February BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday ~ March 27th ~ 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.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 17th from the History Channel

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, is a well-known figure of Christianity. But for all his celebrity, his life is somewhat of a mystery. Many stories traditionally associated with St. Patrick, including the famous account of his banishing all the snakes from Ireland, are false, the products of hundreds of years of exaggerated storytelling.



Irish Soda Bread with Raisins

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| Nonstick vegetable oil spray | 3/4 teaspoon baking soda |
| 2 cups all purpose flour | 3 tablespoons butter, chilled, cut |
| 5 tablespoons sugar, divided | into cubes |
| 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder | 1 cup buttermilk |
| 1 teaspoon salt | 2/3 cup raisins |

Preheat oven to 375°F. Spray 8-inch-diameter cake pan with nonstick spray. Whisk flour, 4 tablespoons sugar, baking powder, salt, and baking soda in large bowl to blend. Add butter. Using fingertips, rub in until coarse meal forms. Make well in center of flour mixture. Add buttermilk. Gradually stir dry ingredients into milk to blend. Mix in raisins.

Using floured hands, shape dough into ball. Transfer to prepared pan and flatten slightly (dough will not come to edges of pan). Sprinkle dough with remaining 1 tablespoon sugar.

Bake bread until brown and tester inserted into center comes out clean, about 40 minutes. Cool bread in pan 10 minutes. Transfer to rack. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Free for the taking

A 20" X 60" Happy 40th Anniversary banner and a little bag of 40th confetti.
See Mrs. Parker in the Children's Room