April 2011

Sit, Stay, Read!

Beginning Saturday, April 9th children in grades one to five can read to a dog for 20 minutes. Loki is a trained therapy pit bull who loves to be read to.

Reading times will be between 10:00 am and noon and Loki will have her trainer with her at all times.

These sessions will be held monthly

Sign up with Mrs. Parker in the Children’s Room.

Book Group

For the meeting on May 31st, we will discuss: The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair that Changed America by Erik Larson who tells a different view of the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair in this true account.

The Book Group meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 6:15 PM. New members are always welcome. Please contact Barbara at the library (892-1908) for more information.

Summer Reading T-shirts for sale

These shirts can be pre-ordered in the Children’s Room.

Ten sizes to choose from—toddler to adult xxxlarge.

Prices from $4.25 to $6.95

Orders placed weekly.

April 10-16, 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!
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Visit for less with a pass
The Maine Wildlife Park in Grey is aiming for an opening date—weather permitting—of Friday, April 15th. By using our pass you will charged only a $2.00 admission fee when you present the pass at the gatehouse. This pass is to be used by an individual or family only. Not for group use (move than 7 people)

This is available in the Children’s Room, which has information about other passes provided by Friends of the Windham Public Library.

Techie Tip @ the Library
“Can I renew my items online?” Yes you can! One of the most convenient features of our computerized library system is the ability for our library patrons to extend their items’ due dates through the internet. Simply go to our Catalog <http://windham.kohalibrary.com>, log in to your account (login= your card #; password= your last name, 1st letter capitalized), and click “Renew” for each item that you wish to extend.

“Can I renew overdue items, or do I have to bring them in and pay the fee first?” Yes, you can renew them and wait to pay the overdue fee the next time that you are in. Overdue items will appear in red, so they are easy to spot. The system doesn’t automatically tell you what your overdue fees are, so remember to click “My Fines” when you are done renewing in order to see what you will owe.

“What does ‘Not renewable’ mean?” If an item is “Not renewable”, that means the item has reached the renewal limit (2 previous renewals) or the item is On Hold for another patron: in either case, the item will need to be returned at your earliest convenience.

Questions? Just contact the library at 892-1908 or crcirculationdesk@yahoo.com

Tax Time
Remember, the library carries many of the forms and booklets necessary for filing your federal and state income taxes. Those not available here can be viewed and printed online.

April Tea
North—South—East—West
Which tea treat is the best?

Join us for tea on “National Read-a-Road Map Day”
Tuesday ~ April 5th ~ 1:30 pm

Everyone Welcome!

Recycle at the library!

Donate your old eye-glasses - You can drop them off at the library in the box provided by the Lions Club located upstairs. Just ask at the desk.

Puzzle Swap - There is a hidden treasure trove of jigsaw puzzles on the ledge of the old back stairwell of the library. Just ask and we will direct you. Take a puzzle or two and return them when you are done, or bring in a puzzle which you don’t want to keep anymore for someone else to borrow.