

March Library News

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*Indoors or out, no one relaxes
In March, that month of wind and taxes,
The wind will presently disappear,
The taxes last us all the year.*

The newsletter at a glance:

- The Library is thrilled to announce the acquisition of **102 new titles for the children's collection** through a grant from the **Pilcrow Foundation**.
- **Miss Jenny from KVCAP** will be holding her playgroup on a new day and time in the new year. Please join her on **the first Wednesday of the month at 10:30AM**. This month she brings stories, play, dance and fun to the library on **March 4th**.

- We have a new, regularly scheduled **craft event** coming to the library every third Tuesday of the month! Hanna Bouchard of Northern Light Health will be bringing **air dry clay** for sculpting at **3PM on Tuesday, March 17th**. All ages are welcome, but the craft is tailored for children.
- Don't miss making **Felt Monsters** with Sylvia Kennedy! Join us on **Saturday, March 21st from 1-3** in the Warren Room to create your own stuffed monster! All ages very welcome!
- **Culture Club** will be studying **Humboldt Penguins** from Peru on **Wednesday, March 18th at 3:30PM**. Come find out why the Peruvians call this the "baby bird," enjoy a fun craft, and take home a free book while supplies last.

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Library Awarded Pilcrow Grant to Grow Children's Collection

The Pittsfield Public Library is excited to announce that they successfully applied for a Pilcrow Foundation grant enabling the purchase of 102 new titles to be added to the children's section immediately. Books range from the newest, most popular chapter book series to board books to picture books, and include both fiction and nonfiction titles.

We are thrilled to grow our collection through the generosity of the Pilcrow Foundation, founded in 2013 to continue the work of The Libri Foundation. Per the Foundation's website, "We recognize the importance of public libraries in rural communities. Libraries are often the center of the community, where people come together to learn and share ideas. Providing quality children's books to rural public libraries ensures an opportunity for active engagement within the community and lifelong learning...Literacy is the greatest gift we can give to our children; the public library is where we can start."

The Friends of the Pittsfield Public Library generously donated \$400, raised through the annual book sale, which was matched by \$800 from the Pilcrow Foundation, Mr. Hal Berenson and Mrs. Laura Ackerman of Colorado, and Drs. Bill Strawbridge and Meg Wallhagen of California. Shout Mouse Press and the Confederate Tribes of Siletz Indians also contributed individual books.

Miss Hanna Brings Air Dry Clay!

Join Hanna Bouchard of Northern Light on the third Tuesday of every month as she brings fun craft ideas to share with everyone! The crafts are tailored for children in particular, but all ages are welcome.

This month, create anything you can imagine with air dry clay! Miss Hanna will bring the clay, tools to work it, and decorative materials as well. Miss Hanna will be crafting in the Warren Room from



Come Make Monsters with Sylvia Kennedy!



Everybody needs a buddy - come make yourself a monstrously fun best friend with felt! Our patron Sylvia Kennedy will be on hand to help everyone cut, sew and stuff their fabulous felt creations. The library will provide everything you need to craft a cute creature.



Everyone ten and older is welcome - bring your creativity and a smile to the **Warren Room from 1-3 on Saturday, March 21st!**

(Parents - please be aware that we will be using sewing needles during this activity)

How to keep up with the library!

Eager for more library news? Just can't get enough of all things books (and movies, and story time, and computers, and...)?

While the newsletter is a great way to get a monthly look at library happenings, we encourage you to follow us on Facebook for more timely updates. We routinely post announcements, events, closures, and new acquisitions on our [Facebook page](#). The library also posts on Instagram.

We list our events and policies on the library [website](#), and we also list our events weekly in the *Rolling Thunder*. There is a printed monthly schedule of events available at the library circulation desk, too. Take one home and hang it on the frig!

Want to ask us a question?

The best way to reach us is either by phone at [\(207\) 487-5880](tel:2074875880) or by [email](#). Our normal business hours are 10-6 Monday-Friday and 10-4 on Saturdays, and we do our best to respond promptly during those hours.

You can also send us a message through our Facebook page, but we do not monitor that site as actively as our email, and a response may be delayed. For matters requiring an immediate response, please call us. Note that we have a landline and cannot receive texts.





Goodbye to Tech Tuesdays...Hello to Digital Classes on Demand!

Funding changes mean that our Digital Navigator Scarlett will no longer be able to join us monthly for Tech Tuesdays. But don't despair! She is still available for one-on-one consultation, both in person and on the phone. She can still hook you up with new technology, digital literacy classes, and more! You can email her at [Scarlett](#) or give her a call at (207) 220-7735. See more of what the SEDC offers [here](#).

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Need some more reading options?

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How about some award winners?

Book Browse has lists of many award winners, from the Pulitzer Prize to the Edgar and everything in between.

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Time to find a new author?

Want to know who writes like Colleen Hoover, James Patterson, or maybe Stephen King? Try the Literature Map tool and explore authors that other readers think write just like they do.

[Literature Map](#)

Or check out the Children's Book Review and Library Journal websites for more recommendations.

[Library Journal](#)

[Children's Book Review](#)

Discover the Maine Discovery Museum, Lake George or Maine's state parks with the library's passes

Please note that the State Park Pass is not accepted at Acadia National Park, Allagash Wilderness Waterway, Baxter State Park, Maine Wildlife Park, Peacock Beach, Penobscot Narrows Observatory, Penobscot River Corridor, Scarborough Beach, Songo Lock, or Swan Island.

Please call the library for more information or to reserve any of the passes: 487-5880.

March Events

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Story Time Reads *Hello, Puddle*

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10:30AM in the Warren Community Room

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Miss Jenny's Playgroup

10:30AM in the Warren Community Room

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Fun STEAM Time Tackles a Tricky Tower Build

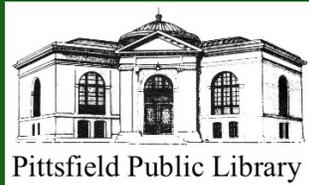
3:30PM in the Warren Community Room

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