

# November Library News

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**Fear not November's challenge bold—  
We've books and friends,  
And hearths that never can grow cold:  
These make amends!**

The newsletter at a glance:

- The library will be **CLOSED** on **Tuesday, November 11** in observance of Veterans' Day, and again on **Thursday and Friday the 27th and 28th** for Thanksgiving.
- This year's **Christmas raffle** promises to be spectacular! The library will be **showcasing local Pittsfield businesses** thanks to a generous donation from a library supporter. Read below for more about this important and exciting fundraiser!
- We've been working on our grants! We're pleased to announce that we are the recipient of a **Pilcrow Grant** to expand our youth fiction offerings. We are also being awarded an **unrestricted \$10,000 grant by the Carnegie Corporation** in honor of our country's 250th birthday!
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- Look for a Library Tree in the **Pittsfield Garden Club's Festival of Trees!** We're showcasing local children's authors and their books. More information about the event can be found [here](#).
- **Culture Club** is on the third Wednesday of each month. This month, visit Mexico to learn about **axolotls** on **November 19th at 3:30PM**. Learn about

animals around the world, enjoy crafts, and bring home a book each month (while supplies last)!

- Join Miss Jenny from KVCAP for her playgroup at **11AM on Wednesday, November 26th**.
- We regret to announce that **Tech Tuesdays** will no longer be held at the library. However, Scarlett is still available for free, one-on-one appointments. See below for more details.
- We're gauging interest in a **beginning Spanish class** to be held every other Saturday from 2PM to 2:40PM. A first class will be held December 13, with two more tentatively scheduled on January 10 and 24. Please either come to the first class or let us know of your interest.

**Yes! I want to learn Spanish! Click here to send us an email letting us know if you'll be attending**

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## "The Center of Our Community" Christmas Raffle



This year, the library raffle is paying it forward with the help of a generous donation from Gregg and Elaine Patterson. Their gift is allowing the library to purchase gift cards, goods, and services from local businesses for our fundraising raffle. Everyone wins - especially those who go home with one



**The list this year is incredible - and we're just getting started!** There will be great gift baskets in addition to the gift cards, too. Stay tuned for more additions to the raffle, and get ready for opening day on November 19th!

of the great prizes we're offering this year.

Tickets are still one for \$1 or six for \$5. You could win a gift card to **Reny's, Danforth's, Loot, the Flower Studio**, or many other local businesses. Eat out at the **Broken Putter, 487 Nutrition, Subway, Dunkin', Kwong Lee** and more.

Or maybe you'll bring home a gift basket with local goodies like honey, cheese, and more. How about a **gift certificate for 100 gallons of heating oil from C.N. Brown?**

The raffle will open and tickets be available during library open hours beginning November 19. Tickets will be sold until 5PM on December 17, and winners will be drawn and notified before Christmas.

Good luck, and thank you to all of our generous donors and participants!

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## Great Grant News!

Our library is receiving a special gift! 🎁 We're one of about 1,280 Carnegie Libraries across the United States that will receive a \$10,000 gift from Carnegie Corporation of New York in celebration of America's 250th anniversary. More than a century after philanthropist Andrew Carnegie helped fund the construction of 1,681 libraries nationwide, we are still serving our community. **Learn more about this initiative** and discover the history of our library on the **Carnegie Libraries Across America map**.

We are also pleased to announce that with the help of the Friends of the Library, we have been awarded a Pilcrow grant to purchase new fiction for the teen and children's areas. The Friends raised \$400 from book sale proceeds, which the Pilcrow Foundation will match with an additional \$800. We are looking forward to choosing some great new books for our younger readers!

## Look for the Library Tree in the Festival of Trees!

The Pittsfield Community Garden Club is holding their first annual Festival of Trees at the Masonic Hall, December 5th-7th. The library's tree will be showcasing items inspired by the books of local children's authors.



[1st Annual Festival of Trees](#)



## *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](mailto:Scarlett@sedc.org) or give her a call at (207) 220-7735. See more of what the SEDC offers [here](#).

[Register for online classes](#)

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### **Need some more reading options?**

[New York Times Bestseller List](#)

[Publishers Weekly Bestseller List](#)

[Nature Book Guide Quarterly](#)

### **How about some award winners?**

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

[Book Browse Award Winners](#)

[Science Fiction Awards Database](#)

### **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.

## **November Events**

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**Story Time Reads *Little Mouse and the Big Cupcake***

10:30AM in the Warren Community Room

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**Fun STEAM Time Conquers a Team Artwork Challenge**

3:30PM in the Warren Community Room

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**Adult Board Game Night (18+)**

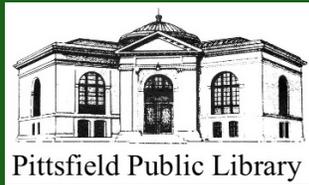
6-8PM in the Reading Room

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