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Summer Reading Registration Begins June 21

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Patrons of all ages will be able to log their reading, complete challenges, and enter to win prizes, in addition to attending and picking up a variety of virtual, in person, and takeaway programs throughout July and August! Youth (ages 0-18) will use Beanstack to log time spent reading and enter codes from attending programs to complete challenges and

earn prize drawing entries. Adults can enter prize basket drawings each time they visit Nesmith Library.

We look forward to making registration available on June 21 for children and teens through Beanstack and for our adult Summer Reading program through a Google form. Please subscribe to our email newsletter for biweekly

updates which will feature library news, services, and Summer Reading programs! We thank our generous sponsors including the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) and local Windham businesses. We look forward to sharing more photos of our Summer Reading mascots: Lumpi, Irene, and Savvy!

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Tails & TALES

SUMMER READING MASCOTS



LUMPI
(CHILDREN)



IRENE
(TEEN)



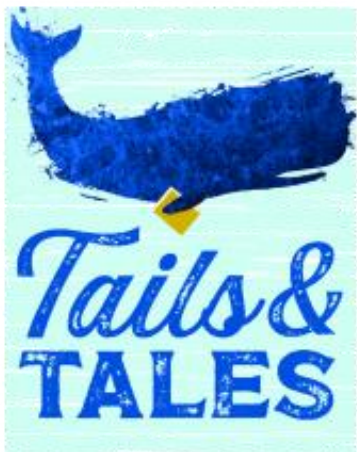
SAVVY
(ADULT)



June Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter,
Adult Collection Development and
Adult Programming Librarian

Adult Summer Reading Program



Summer Reading is back and with it the chance to win great prizes just for reading! The national theme this summer is “Tails & Tales,” and registration opens on Monday, June 21 and continues throughout the summer. Look for the Adult Summer Reading Program registration link on our website starting that day. The first 50 people to sign up can pick up a registration bag that includes Lindt chocolate (generously donated by Lindt, Master Swiss Chocolatier) and other Summer Reading swag, starting on Monday, June 28! As part of the program, you will earn a raffle ticket for each book read (and yes, audio books count) for a chance to win prizes! You must be a Nesmith Library card holder and you must register to be eligible. Once you’ve enrolled, start reading (only library materials count) and when you return your items, pick up a raffle ticket at the front desk (one ticket per item), fill out your ticket, and drop it in the container that corresponds to the prize you hope to win! Prizes include a gift certificate to the Windham Junction Country Gift Shop & Kitchen (gen-

erously donated by the Windham Junction & Kitchen,) and a gift card to The Copper Door (generously donated by The Copper Door). Raffles will be drawn at the Trivia Night Wrap Party on August 12.

Nesmith Library Book Group

Virtual programming will continue, but the Nesmith Library Book Group will meet in person, if the weather cooperates. We’ll be meeting outside on Wednesday, June 9, and the time will be dependent on if we are meeting in person or virtually (in person will be at 5:30, and virtually will be 6:30). Early that week, I’ll be sending out an email with the meeting information, and if necessary, with the link to our Zoom room. This month we’ve been reading *The Dearly Beloved* by Cara Wall. If you didn’t have a chance to read the book, no worries! Come to the meeting and start with our next book (title to be revealed shortly!) and mark your calendar. We typically meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. In order to participate, you must have a Nesmith Library card or a card from one of the libraries in our consortium, you need to be over the age of 16, and you must register.

Scattergories on Facebook



Scattergories on Facebook will continue! On the first Monday of every month, we’ll be posting

games at noon. Respond in the comments and see how creative you can be with your answers! Our previous games have yielded some very imaginative responses from some very smart players. On June 7, go to Facebook and search for Nesmith Library (@nesmithlibrary) and don’t forget to “like” our page while you’re there!

What Tree Is That?



When walking in the beautiful forests of New Hampshire, or even in your own neighborhood, have you ever wondered what type of tree you were looking at? On Thursday, June 17 at 6:00 p.m., Greg Jordan from the UNH Extension will join us virtually to help us identify New Hampshire trees. Bring your questions for the Q&A session at the end of the presentation!

Greg is Rockingham County’s forestry field specialist. A New Hampshire licensed forester, Greg joined UNH Cooperative Extension in 2017. Prior to joining UNH, he spent more than a decade working as a consulting forester in southern New Hampshire and Maine. With lots of on-the-ground forestry and wildlife management experience, he provides landowners, communities, and others with advice on managing woodlots and caring for community forests and trees.

June Adult Programming (Continued)

Discover N.H. State Parks



With 93 state parks, N.H. has something for everyone, and with the multitude of beaches, campgrounds, natural areas, trails, and historic sites, you may not know where to begin! Come discover our state parks on Tuesday, June 22 at 6:00 p.m. when Brent Wucher, Public Information and Marketing Officer from the N.H. Division of Parks and Recreation, guides us on a virtual tour. Beginning with an aerial drone video of the parks, Brent will introduce us to these beautiful natural resources, and share some interesting facts.

Brent has been with the N.H. Division of Parks and Recreation

for 2½ years. Before that he worked in the Command Information Office for Fort Myer in Arlington, Virginia, which was a public relations position for the Department of Defense as a civilian federal employee. Brent has been in the military for 26 years, currently serving in the Army Reserve with the rank of Major. A N.H. resident on and off for the last 28 years, active-duty assignments and deployments have kept Brent moving, but this year he is planning to retire from the military.

If you are inspired to visit one of these parks, we now have N.H. State Park passes at the library! Visit the Museum Passes page on our website for information on how to reserve a pass. Thanks to the Friends of the Library of Windham for sponsoring these passes!

Bookmark Craft

On Wednesday, June 30 at 6:00 p.m., get creative while enjoying the summer evening under our program tent! We'll be making colorful bookmarks with paper and

laminates, and finishing our night with a delicious treat! This program is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Weather dependent, and we will contact you if rain changes this into a takeaway craft.



This month's adult programs are for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Register online by visiting www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar. After registering for the virtual programs, you will receive a confirmation email for each event containing information about joining the webinars.

For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact our Adult Programming Librarian, Maria, at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org, or call the library at 432-7154.

Friends of the Library of Windham

*Sandy Sun,
FLOW Publicity*

Join the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) membership today!

Choose from a variety of memberships and payment options, starting at only \$10. The membership dues provide free and reduced-price admission to local museums and attractions with our museum passes; the offering of academic grants; book fairs; strawberry festival; enhanced children, teens, and adult programming; library enhancements including automatic

handicap accessible doors, projection system, portable sounds system; and much, much more.

For more information, go to: <https://www.flowwindham.org/become-a-member>.

Since 1966, the Friends of the Library of Windham have relied on hundreds of volunteers that are dedicated to encouraging greater use of the Nesmith Library and its many services. It's our volunteers who have made FLOW the successful organization that it is today. We are looking for

volunteers in the following positions:

- Vice President
- Book Fair Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Strawberry Festival Chair

We have a lot of fun and give back to our community at the same time! Volunteering is also a great way to meet people!



June Teen Scene

Molly Pevna,
Youth/Teen Services Librarian



It's Pride Month so be proud, whether you're part of the community or an ally! Naturally, we're celebrating with rainbows. We've got a craft, a bag, and a snack for you to help celebrate! Make sure to pick your special Pride month Teen Takeaway Kit on Wednesday, June 2! All supplies are provided; the creativity is yours. Kits are available while supplies last.

Come on in to pick up your kit and feel free to browse for up to 30 minutes as well. If you prefer curbside, please call 432-7154 and we will bring your kit out to the curbside borrowing table. No registration required. Grades 7-12.

Teen Advisory Group
Our last Teen Advisory Group (TAG) meeting of the school year has been postponed until Tuesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m. (rescheduled from Tuesday, June 1) on the library lawn. Everyone will get their own hula hoop to sit in for social distancing. We're asking TAG members to make sure to adhere to safety protocols with regard to COVID-19.



Teen Summer Reading Program
As the school year wraps up, it means that it's time for our Summer Reading Program for Summer 2021! Registration opens

up on Beanstack on Monday, June 21! You can pick up your registration bags starting that Monday.

On Tuesday, June 29 at 6:30 p.m., we'll be meeting up in the brand new tent for our Teen Summer Reading Kick-Off Party! Make sure to stop by to check out all the activities that we'll have.

Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.



IRENE OF THE
MALLETT-KELLER FAMILY
TEEN SUMMER
READING MASCOT

2021 Sesquicentennial

Save the date: Saturday, September 18, 2021, and watch for updates.

Nesmith Library turns 150 in 2021! After receiving a donation of \$3,000 from Colonel Thomas Nesmith for the purpose of establishing a public library, Windham dedicated the Nesmith Library in June of 1871.

By the end of the first fiscal year, the librarian had used the majority of those funds to purchase approximately 1,600 volumes for the library, and in the first eight months, of existence, the library

had circulated 3,443 books! The library was located in a small corner of the upstairs room at Windham Town Hall, until the Armstrong building was opened in 1899. We moved to our current location in August of 1997.

Normally, June would have been a great time to celebrate our birthday, but given ongoing safety guidelines, we decided to move our main celebration to September. More details to come, but please save the date. We will have a wonderful sesquicentennial celebration on Saturday,

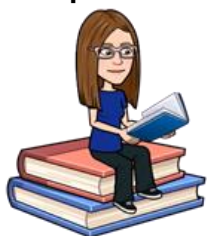
September 18. In the meantime, keep an eye out for a series of articles, social media posts, displays, and smaller activities and events throughout the year featuring library history, artifacts from our History Room, and Nesmith Library services!



From the Children's Room

Azra Palo,
Head of Youth Services

New Member in the Youth Department



If you've visited the Nesmith Library recently, you will have seen a new face behind the children's circulation desk. Kirsten is our newest children's library assistant, and she is a welcome addition with previous library experience, and she currently works in a bookstore! When she is not working, she enjoys reading (of course) and hanging out with her dog, Gracie. Kirsten is here just in time for summer reading, so do not hesitate to say hi!

June Takeaway Crafts

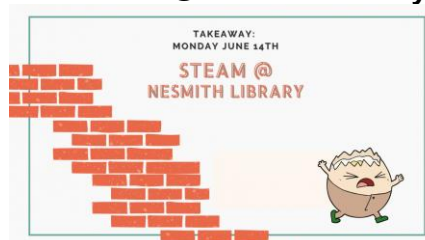
Monday June 7 and 14.

No registration necessary.

Supplies are limited. All ages.

This month will include random crafts from weeks past as we gear up for summer reading! Stop by the library all through the spring months to pick up your free and no registration required craft. Call the library at 432-7154 when you are at the library, and we will put the craft out for your child. Questions? Email our Head of Youth Services apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

STEAM @ Nesmith Library



Pick up: Monday, June 14
Recommended ages 5-12.

Pick up your kit supplies starting Monday, June 14. Families will work in teams. Registration required. Questions? Email Azra Palo at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

Mr. Aaron Music (Rescheduled from April Vacation)



Thursday, June 10, 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Aaron will be joining us on Thursday, June 10 at 10:30 a.m. over Zoom! Registration required. Questions? Email Molly, our Youth Services Librarian, at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Toddler Storytime (Outside)



Monday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.

Ages 18 mo-3 yrs. Siblings welcome.

Join us for Toddler Time with Miss Chris! We will read stories, sing, and maybe dance. This program is for toddlers ages 18 months to 3 years supervised by an adult caregiver. Toddler Time lasts approximately 20-25 minutes. Questions? Email Ms. Chris at csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org.

Preschool Storytime (Outside)

Thursday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.
Ages 3-5 yrs. Registration required.

It's time for a special outdoor June Preschool Storytime on the

outdoor lawn area at Nesmith Library!



We'll be singing songs and reading books around a special theme! Join us on Thursday, June 17 at 10:30 a.m. Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Tails and Tales Children's Summer Reading Registration and Takeaway



Monday June 21

Ages 0-12.

Beanstack registration.

Young Nesmith Library patrons starting on Monday, June 21 can register ONLINE for Summer Reading using our Beanstack software, generously provided by FLOW (Friends of the Windham Library). After registering, you can immediately start logging your books to win raffle tickets towards our end-of-summer reading prizes!

In addition, young patrons can pick up their registration takeaway bag available at the library for those who sign up starting Monday, June 21 as well! Supplies are limited.

Questions? Email Head of Youth Services Azra Palo at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org and make sure to check out Summer Reading page for updates, photos, and more!

FLOW Strawberry Festival Take-Home Kits & Book Fair

Sandy Sun

Although we still cannot celebrate together at the Strawberry Festival this year, we are bringing the taste you know and love in a convenient ready-to-eat kit!

Pre-orders for the strawberry shortcake complete kits going on now through June 4. Kits include freshly baked biscuits (baked safely in a commercial kitchen by the Wendy's staff), our strawberry recipe (prepared safely in a commercial kitchen by Wendy's staff), whipped cream, and Friendly's vanilla ice cream.

Kits are \$20 for a family 4-pack and \$28 for a family 6-pack. The link to pre-order the kits is: <https://www.flowwindham.org/2021strawberryfestival>

Pick up kits on June 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Shaw's in Windham.

All proceeds benefit the Nesmith Library. Supplies

are limited. Pre-order your kit today. Current FLOW members will receive promo codes to use towards their kits as a membership benefit.

Thank you to the following businesses for their contributions: Wendy's restaurants, Shaw's supermarket in Windham, Hannaford's in Londonderry, Howie Glynn's in Windham, and Market Basket in Londonderry.

Annual Book Fair

Thursday, June 3, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. is Preview Day for teachers, members, and seniors only. Members, please have your membership cards ready!

Friday, June 4, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (public)

Saturday, June 5, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (public)

❖ Book Fair outside at the Nesmith Library.

❖ All books and sale items donated and sanitized.

❖ Daily secret sales and two-hour \$5/bag sale on the last day.

❖ Gently used hardcovers and paperbacks for preschool to adult.

❖ DVD movies, music CDs, audio books, games, puzzles, and audio books.

❖ Computer games and software.

Prices range from 25¢ to \$3.50. Checks and credit cards accepted.

All proceeds support library needs and programs (children and adult).

Hope to see you there!

Nesmith Library

8 Fellows Road
Windham, NH 03087

Phone:
(603) 432-7154

Website:
www.nesmithlibrary.org

Service Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sat. 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
(Curbside Only)

The Nesmith Library will be closed on Sunday, June 20 for Father's Day.

Dates to Remember

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| 6/2 | Teen Takeaway Kit, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. | noon | Virtual What Tree Is That? 6:00 p.m. |
| 6/3 | FLOW Book Fair Preview Day, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; | 6/8 | Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m. |
| | Virtual Nesmith Knitters, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. | 6/9 | Library Book Group, 5:30 or 6:30 p.m. |
| 6/4 | FLOW Book Fair, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. | 6/10 | Virtual Music with Mr. Aaron, 10:30 a.m. |
| 6/5 | Strawberry Shortcake Kit Pick Up at Shaw's and FLOW Book Fair, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | 6/14 | Children's Craft and STEAM Takeaways, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; |
| 6/7 | Children's Takeaway Craft, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; | | Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m. |
| | Scattergories on Facebook begins at | 6/15 | Nesmith Library Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m. |
| | | 6/17 | Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; |
| | | | Virtual Nesmith Knitters, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.; |
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| | | | Library Closed |
| | | | 6/21 |
| | | | Summer Reading Program Registration Begins, 9:00 a.m. |
| | | | 6/22 |
| | | | Virtual Discover N.H. State Parks, 6:00 p.m. |
| | | | 6/28 |
| | | | Adult Summer Reading Program Registration Begins, 9:00 a.m. |
| | | | 6/30 |
| | | | Bookmark Craft, 6:00 p.m. |

