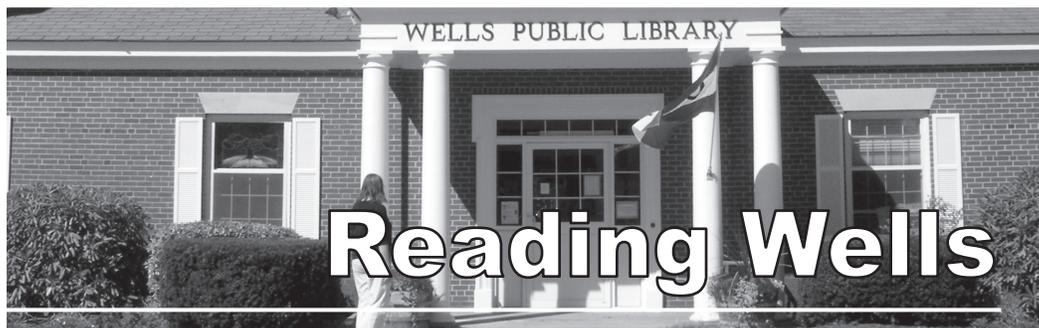


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From the Director

Summer has arrived, and we have some very exciting news. An anonymous donor has offered to match up to \$500,000 to our already raised funds to build a 3,350 square foot addition on the library! The town will be voting on whether or not to accept the \$1,000,000 in donated funds this June, with construction starting soon after. The new addition will have an 80 seat community room that holds up to 160 people, a 16 seat quiet study room, and administrative space that will free up our meeting room for daytime usage. The construction will be donor funded and will not impact taxes. This project has been a long time coming and it is amazing to see all the support the community has provided for it!

In other exciting news, we are working on shifting our collection to improve the space we have. Soon you'll find our DVDs and audiobooks where our biographies are currently located.

As always, I look forward to seeing you at the library this summer.

Best,

Devin Burritt

Summer Reading Program For Kids and Teens

June 19-August 12

This summer, kids age 3 to entering grade 4 are invited to participate in the "Build a Better World" Summer Reading Program. Register online or in person, and then come by to receive a bag with prizes and instructions on how to participate in the program. Events are happening all summer long!

Tweens and teens entering 5th through 12th grade are also invited to register online or in person to "Build a Better World". This age will earn raffle tickets throughout the summer, including your first five free! Every Friday through August 4th we will be giving away prize baskets; on August 11th we will present grand prizes! Raffle tickets will roll over from week to week.

Kids of all ages who register will also be entered into raffles all summer long to win great prizes from Scoop Deck, Wonder Mountain Extreme Mini Golf, Big Daddy's Ice Cream, McDonald's and more!

Summer Reading Program for Adults

June 19-August 12

Time for our annual Adult Summer Reading Program! This year's theme is "Build a Better World". Stop by anytime to pick up a reading log. First 200 registrants will receive a complimentary prize. Read five books and return your reading log before August 12th to be entered to win two tickets to a Nubble Lighthouse Cruise with Finestkind Scenic Cruises!

Weekly Youth Services Programs

Mother Goose Storytime

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

**June 19-August 7,
unless otherwise noted**

Children ages 0-24 months and their caregivers are invited to engage in lap activities, rhymes, songs, and fingerplays.

Books at the Beach

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

June 21-August 9

All ages are invited to meet us at the Harbor Park gazebo on Wednesday mornings, weather permitting. Children will be engaged in stories, songs, and movement activities.

Crafty Kids

Wednesdays at 3 p.m.

June 21-August 9

Join us every Wednesday for a drop-in art project. From painting to printing to coloring to collaging, we might just have an art project you would like to explore! All materials will be supplied and all ages are welcome.

Lego and Rubik's Cube Club

Fridays at 3 p.m.

June 23-August 11

Participants are encouraged to build master creations with Legos provided by the library. We will take pictures of each design and add them to our online photo album. We also have Rubik's cubes, with instructions on how to solve the Cube.

Adult Programs

Lunch and Learn

Join us on the **first Friday of each month at 12 p.m.** for our Lunch and Learn Series. All are welcome to bring lunch, and the library will provide light refreshments.

Solar Energy on Friday, June 2

We will be hosting an educator from ReVision Energy to speak with us about solar energy. If you're curious about what it takes to go solar or what the pros and cons of solar energy are, this program is for you!

Author Helen Rousseau on Friday, July 7

Author, writing teacher, and Interfaith Minister Helen Rousseau will be joining us to give a reading from her most recent publication, *Coming to the Edge: Fifty Poems for Writing and Healing*. This work of poetry is interactive, as each poem prompts readers to respond with their own writing or drawing. Rousseau uses her own experiences and struggles to help others through theirs – no matter the severity.

WCC Chair Owen Grumbling on Friday, August 4

Please help us welcome the chair of the Wells Conservation Commission, Owen Grumbling. He will be speaking about the past, present, and future plans for the Wells Conservation Commission and the importance of environmental stewardship.

Conversational French Language Group

Thursdays, June 1-August 24 at 6 p.m.

Join us for an informal approach to practicing or re-learning French! We will offer some activities, questions, and other approaches to practicing the language, but mostly it will be up to the group to determine what the format will be. Anyone with a French Language interest is welcome.

Fiber Arts Group

Fridays, June 2-August 25 at 10:30 a.m.

If you embroider, cross-stitch, weave, quilt, whatever you do - we welcome you! All ages & levels of ability are encouraged to join us for ideas, inspiration and lively conversation.

Tech Tuesdays

Join us on **Tuesdays throughout the summer at 2:30 p.m.** for our new Technology Series. Attendees are encouraged to bring their devices to each session.

CloudLibrary on Tuesday, June 6

Learn how to access eBooks and eAudio books using the new program CloudLibrary.

Social Media on Tuesday, July 11

Learn how to use Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, along with other social media sites for personal or business use.

Author Karen Creamer

Tuesday, June 27 at 6 p.m.

Wells author Karen Creamer has been writing for her entire life. She's recently finished her second book, *What if Bebe Stays With Stephen?*, and will be at the library to give a reading and author talk. This is an excellent program for anyone interested in taking their writing to the next level.

Hike WCC with Maine Guide Linda Grenfell

HELD OFFSITE

Friday, June 30 at 10 a.m.

There are currently four parcels of Town Conservation Lands in Wells, and the library will be hosting a nature walk at one of the sites. Please join us as Wells resident and registered Maine Guide Linda Grenfell leads us through nature while highlighting animal tracks, animal habitats, and plant life. **PLEASE NOTE: Location to be determined. Participants are asked to meet at the library at 10 a.m. for driving instructions to the hike site.**

Rabbits!

Thursday, July 27 at 2:30 p.m.

Did you know that the iconic New England Cottontail Rabbit is dwindling in numbers? We are pleased to welcome a representative from the Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge who will teach us all about creating rabbit habitats, aka rabbitats!

Organizational Zen with Janie Downey Maxwell

Thursday, August 31 at 2:30 p.m.

Have you ever bought something you already owned because it was easier than finding the thing you had? Do you find yourself misplacing keys, glasses, or small children? Join organizational habits expert Janie Downey Maxwell and learn how to bring organizational peace into your life. Please bring a pad of paper and something to write with.

Portland PALS Card

Did you know that anyone who pays taxes or lives in Maine is eligible for a Portland Public Library card? You can sign up for one at the library with your Maine driver's license, or out of state license and a Maine municipality tax receipt. Even if you don't plan on visiting Portland, your PPL card will allow you to take advantage of amazing digital services without leaving the comfort of your home! Resources include: Hoopla, Consumer Reports Online, Chilton Manual, and Self-E. Talk to Devin or Andrea for more information!

Technology Petting Zoo on Tuesday, August 8

We will showcase a variety of different tablets, go over the features of each, and discuss the benefits and drawbacks of the different types.

Children's Programs

Rob Duquette

Thursday, June 22 at 6 p.m.

Rob Duquette entertains with his original music, including arrangements on xylophone, guitar, ukulele, and various percussion instruments. You will not want to miss this rocking good time!

Steve Corning

Monday, June 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Steve Corning's variety show features fast-paced juggling routines, mind-blowing escape artistry, comedy magic, contortion, balancing, LED light manipulation, and nearly endless amazing stunts, all mixed with a hearty dose of comedy. This show will provide non-stop entertainment and tons of laughs for the whole family.

Songs and Stories for a Small Planet with Jackson Gillman

Wednesday, July 6 at 6 p.m.

Drawing on our Summer Reading theme of Building a Better World, join us for Jackson Gillman's celebration of nature with an eye to where we fit in and how we can help sustain our world. In this rollicking performance, Gillman will draw on his repertoire from the deep, briny sea to the vast, starry heavens.

Santa in the Summer

Thursday, July 27 at 6 p.m.

Did you ever wonder where Santa vacations in the summer? Maine, of course! Come to the library and hang out with a holiday favorite – maybe even take the opportunity to tell him what you are wishing for this Christmas! Crafts and activities will be provided for the whole family to enjoy.

Teen Programs

Random Fandom: Summer

Wednesday, June 7 at 2 p.m.

Celebrate your impending freedom and the start of all things sun and fun! Eat snacks, make a craft, play games, and plan your summer adventures. Find out about all the prizes you can win and events to attend during the summer.

Summer Teen Movies

Wednesdays, June 15, July 13, and August 10 at 5 p.m.

Spend all day at the beach until you are hot, tanned, and tired, then come cool off with a movie and snacks at the library!

Cupcake Challenge

Thursday, August 3 at 3 p.m.

Back by popular demand, our Cupcake Challenge will satisfy your craving for sweet competition! Participants will be challenged in decorating a cupcake based on a mystery theme to be revealed at the event. Registration is requested for this program.

Programs for All Ages

Fairy Houses

Tuesday, June 11 at 3 p.m.

Do you believe? Have some whimsical summer fun building little homes for woodland sprites out of natural materials. Come to this event and earn raffle tickets toward SRP prizes!

Native American Stories and Songs

Tuesday, June 20 at 6 p.m.

The Wells Public Library is excited to host local artist and businessman Ed Bullock. Of Wampanoag descent, Bullock is dedicated to cross-cultural education and understanding. He will be at the library to share some of the stories and songs of the Wampanoag people.

Indoor Tide Pooling with Seacoast Science Center

Monday, July 10 at 10:30 p.m.

How does a sea star eat? Where do urchins live? Why do snails have "trap doors?" In this program, participants will learn about the rocky shore habitat and the animals that live there. Attendees will also observe and be able to touch several different intertidal animals!

Seacoast Drum and Dance

Tuesday, July 18 at 6 p.m.

Drum and dance specialists from the Seacoast West African Drum and Dance will showcase one of their inspired West African performances! Join us for an evening of dance and percussion.

Pet Show

Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Bring your favorite pet to show and share at our Annual Pet Show! The talented Abby Greenip of Facepainting by Snowqueen will be on hand to provide free face painting to any and all interested parties. All animals must be on a leash or in a cage.

Center for Wildlife: Raptors, Reptiles and Mammals Friday, August 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Come find out the unique differences between raptors, reptiles, and mammals. Do snakes have fur? Are birds "cold-blooded"? How do each of these animal groups adapt to our changing seasons? Using live animals and interactive displays, the answers to these and other questions will be revealed! Presented in conjunction with the Wells Police Department's Animal Control Unit.

Maine Marimba

Tuesday, August 15 at 6 p.m.

Maine Marimba has been making waves across New England with their huge, handmade marimbas and their electrifying Zimbabwean beats! Their show is sure to get the entire audience moving!



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Tuesday, Thursday: 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.



For Your Information:

Library Cards

A Wells Public Library card is available free to **legal residents and/or property owners** of Wells, Ogunquit, Kennebunk, and Kennebunkport. A legal resident is defined as someone who *is registered to vote in Maine, has a valid Maine driver's license, or has registered one's motor vehicles in Maine*. Library cards are also available free of charge to Town of Wells employees, faculty of the Wells-Ogunquit Consolidated School District, faculty and students at York County Community College, and employees of other educational and community service agencies located in Wells.

To Obtain a Resident Library Card:

Applicants must present proof of residence, property ownership, school attendance, or employment at the time of registration for a card as well as verification of mailing address.

Non-Resident Library Cards

may be purchased for a fee of \$20/year or \$10/3 months.

Once you have your library card it is important to **bring it every time you come to the library** in order to check out materials.

Mailing Your Books Back?

We recommend that you insure all items being mailed back to us, in case the item is lost or damaged in transit.

Need to Use a Computer?

The library has 9 computers for public access to the Internet and Microsoft Office products. If you don't have a library card, please stop at the Patron Services desk to pick up a guest pass. Users are allowed 30 minutes per session, with the option of another 30 minute session per day. Printing is \$.15/page for black and white copies, \$.50/page for color copies.

If you have your own device (laptop, tablet, smartphone), you may access the library's wireless signal anywhere in the building. Printing is available on many wireless devices.

Please check our website or stop by the library for information about any additions or cancellations to these programs.