Dear Scott,

Have you ever noticed how books connect us with other people? I was recently shopping for a birthday present for our two-year-old grandson Zachary when I spotted the Little Golden Book *The Fuzzy Duckling*. This was his mother's favorite book when she was his age. My husband and I read it so often that we still have a good portion of it memorized more than three decades later. And, of course, we had to buy it for Zachary.

It has been a while since I have dedicated this space to encouraging parents, grandparents, and other significant adults to read regularly to the children in their lives. But it is so important! After a while, the child associates the warm, secure feeling of snuggling with a parent with the act of reading. The child will be that much more motivated to want to do the hard work of learning to read when he or she has positive connections with reading.

Of course, there are many other positive outcomes as well. Children who are read to regularly develop much larger vocabularies than those who are not. They also develop longer attention spans and the ability to connect more complex thoughts. In short, being read to as a child sets one up for a lifetime of educational success. It doesn't have to be hours of your time with the great classics of literature. Just find something that your child enjoys, and enjoy it together.

Happy Reading,

Janet Wilson, Director
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LIBRARY HOURS
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00-4:30; Wednesday 10-7:00;
Saturday 10:00-2:00

PROGRAMS

_Sensation_ Book Talk by Arnold Lehman Wednesday September 1
6:00 PM
Arnold Lehman, former director of the Brooklyn Museum, shares the inside scoop on the political maelstrom that took place in response to the exhibition, “Sensation” in 1999. Featuring pornographic images as well as artwork showing the Madonna with elephant dung on her, the exhibition offended many people, causing a renewed battle over the right to freedom of artistic expression.

Loon Lessons
Book Talk
Wednesday September 8
6:00 PM

Biologist and author James D. Paruk, PhD. will discuss his new book, *Loon Lessons: Uncommon Encounters with the Great Northern Diver*. Paruk, Professor of Biology at St. Joseph’s College in Standish, Maine, has observed and compared loons in locations as far north as Saskatchewan and as far south as Louisiana, as far west as California and as far east as Maine. He discusses the loon’s various calls, its amazing diving abilities, and where it migrates to in winter. Please sign up at the Rangeley Public Library to hear this interesting talk.

Quiet Lives
Book Talk Wednesday September 15
6:00 PM

Masks required of all attendees.

Retired physician William "Bill" Toms will discuss his new book, *Quiet Lives*. Written in verse, Toms’ book shares the stories of some of the patients he has known over the years. He shares his deep respect, affection, and admiration for these “patient-friends”.

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Quiet Lives
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Masks required of all attendees.
Tom Roth, 25-year columnist for *The Maine Sportsman*, walks the reader through each month, detailing what the great state of Maine has to offer, complete with how-to, some where-to and a healthy dose of humorous events that happened along the way.

**A Sporting Year in Maine**

Book Talk Wednesday September 22 6:00 PM

**OWL Club Is Back!**

OWL (Our Weekly Library) Club is for kids in kindergarten, first, and second grades. Kids can come to the library for stories, crafts, games, snack, and other fun activities. It takes place every Thursday after school **starting on September 16th**. A notice and sign-up sheet will come home the first week of school, or for children who are homeschooled, please stop by the Library to sign up.

**Preschool Story Hour**

Starting September 17th, preschool aged children are invited to the library Friday mornings at 10:00 AM for story time with Miss W. Story hour will take place only on days when Rangeley Lakes Regional School is in session.

**BOOK GROUPS**

Rangeley Readers
3rd Wednesday @4:00 PM

Adventure Book Group
Last Wednesday @4:00 PM
September Book Discussions

Wednesday, September 15th, 4:00 PM Rangeley Readers will discuss *The Pearl That Broke Its Shell* by Nadia Hashimi.

Wednesday, September 29th, 4:00 PM
Adventure Book Group will discuss *21 Lessons for the 21st Century* by Yuval Noah Harari.

NEW MEDIA IN SEPTEMBER

**Adult Fiction**
- *The Nature of Middle Earth* by J.R.R. Tolkien
- *Forgotten in Death* (In Death #53) by J.D. Robb
- *Robert B. Parker's Stone's Throw* (Jesse Stone #20) by Mike Lupica
- *High Stakes* by Iris Johansen
- *Apples Never Fall* by Liane Moriarty
- *Harlem Shuffle* by Colson Whitehead
- *Kingdom of Bones* (Sigma Force #22) by James Rollins
- *The Madness of Crowds* (Three Pines #17) by Louise Penny
- *Enemy at the Gates* (Mitch Rapp #20) by Vince Flynn
- *Another Kind of Eden* by James Lee Burke
- *A Slow Fire Burning* by Paula Hawkins
- *Beautiful World, Where Are You?* by Sally Rooney
- *Inheritance of Orquidea Divina* by Zoraida Cordova
- *Matrix* by Lauren Groff
- *Never Saw Me Coming* by Vera Kurian
- *The Heart Principle* by Helen Hoang
- *The Night She Disappeared* by Lisa Jewell
- *The Heron's Cry* (Two Rivers #2) by Ann Cleeves
- *The Beginning* by Beverly Lewis
- *Love in a Time of Hate* by Matthew Langdon Cost
- *You Can Run* by Karen Cleveland
- *The Disappearance of Trudy Solomon* by Marcy McCreary
- *The Final Child* by Fran Dorricott
- *The Girl Behind the Wall* by Mandy Robotham
- *Fault Lines* by Emily Itami
- *The House of Ashes* by Stuart Neville
- *Till Death* by William Johnstone

**Adult Nonfiction**
- *The Missing Scott Chronicles* by Janie Murray Gordon
- *Travels with George: ...Washington & His Legacy* by Nathaniel Philbrick
- *The Real Anthony Fauci* by Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.
- *Unbound: Story of Liberation, Birth of Me Too Movement* by Tarana Burke
The Authority of the Court & the Peril of Politics by Stephen Breyer
Mythical Creatures of Maine by Christopher Packard
Downeast: Five Maine Girls &... Story of Rural America by Gigi Georges
A Sporting Year in Maine by Tom Roth
Fox & I: An Uncommon Friendship by Catherine Raven

Young Adult
Vespertine (Vespertine #1) by Megan Abbott
Avatar: The Last Airbender - The Promise Omnibus by Bryan Konietzko
Avatar: The Last Airbender - The Search Omnibus by Gene Luen Yang
Avatar: The Last Airbender - The Rift Omnibus by Gene Luen Yang

Older Kids
Egg Marks the Spot (Skunk & Badger #2) by Amy Timberlake
Krisy & the Snobs (Babysitter's Club Graphics #10) by Ann Martin
Friends Forever by Shannon Hale
Karen's Worst Day (Babysitter's Little Sister Graphix #3) by Ann Martin
Karen's Kittycat Club (Babysitter's Little Sister Graphix #4) by Ann Martin
Pax, Journey Home by Sara Pennypacker
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Younger Kids
Narwhal's School of Awesomeness (Narwhal & Jelly #6) by Ben Clanton
Who Knew? Under the Apple Tree by Laurie Knowlton
Thanks for Nothing by Ryan Higgins
Hardly Haunted by Jessie Sima
I Can Help by Reem Faruqi
Pokemon Sword & Shield Vol. 1 by Hidenori Kusaka

Audios
The Turnout by Megan Abbott
The Living and the Lost by Ellen Feldman
Her Perfect Life by Hank Phillippi Ryan

DVs
12 Mighty Orphans
Cruella
The Equalizer S1
A Father's Legacy
Peter Rabbit 2

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