Fall is here!

Curl up by the fire with hot cider and a good book!

Rangeley Public Library

NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Dear Patron,

November, with its harsh winds and grey skies, can be met with a decided lack of enthusiasm. However, it is an important month. First, there is Election Day to think about. Regardless of whether you are excited and optimistic or depressed and lethargic, election day is an important day for our nation. In spite of how you feel, it is important to get out and vote. In many places around the globe, people envy our ability to determine our own leaders and laws. We should never take that privilege for granted, because an apathetic people can easily lose this great privilege. Even as we look around in dismay at all of the mud-slinging and name calling, we can be thankful that we live in a land where we can still voice our opinions, even when those opinions run contrary to those in power.

November also brings us Veterans Day and a reminder to thank the men and women who have laid their lives on the line so that we can remain a free people. The original Congressional resolution of 1926, in remembrance of the ending of WWI, invited "the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples." We may continue to have difficulty with the "friendly relations" piece, but we can still be thankful that many brave people have considered our lives and our freedoms worth preserving and protecting.

Intellectual freedom is particularly celebrated in libraries. Libraries work hard to promote the freedom of all people to express their views, as well as the freedom to

hear all other people's views whether in person, in books, or online. It seems to be currently out of vogue to disagree with certain politically popular views. It is even labelled hateful to disagree with some opinions. But the day that Americans are no longer allowed to express unpopular opinions is the day that we have lost our intellectual freedom. During a particularly vicious election cycle, we may be weary of all the angry, dissenting voices. But the fact that we can still have that dissent means that we have not yet lost our right to intellectual freedom. Let us not be apathetic. Let's vote because we have the freedom to vote. And if we don't like the results of this election, let's resolve to be part of the solution in the next election cycle. Too many lives have been lost in defense of our freedoms for us to give up without a fight.

Janet Wilson, Director

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ONGOING PROGRAMS

OWL Club (K-2nd gr.) - Thursdays 2:45-4:00 PM Preschool Story Hours - Thursdays and Fridays 10:00 AM Book Groups - 3rd Weds. at 10:00 AM and last Tues. at 4:00 PM

Book Groups

The **Rangeley Readers** will meet on Wednesday, November 16th, at 10 AM to discuss *Call the Midwife* by Jennifer Worth. **Adventure Book Group** will meet Tuesday, November 30th, at 4:00 PM to discuss *The Worst Hard Time* by Timothy Egan. Both groups welcome new members!

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday 10AM-7PM Wednesday-Friday 10AM-4:30PM Saturday 10AM-2PM

Rangeley Public Library will be closed in observance of the following holidays in

November:

Veterans Day 11/11 Thanksgiving Day 11/24

Media Coming in November

Adult Fiction

Seduced (Hannah Smith #4) by Randy Wayne Smith

The Whistler by John Grisham

This Was a Man (Clifton Chronicles #7) by Jeffrey Archer

Escape Clause (Virgil Flowers #9) by John Sandford

The Obsidian Chamber (Sp. Agent Pendergast #16) by Preston Child

Night School (Jack Reacher #21) by Lee Child

Pharoah: A Novel of Ancient Egypt by Wilbur Smith

Faithful by Alice Hoffman

The Wrong Side of Goodbye (Harry Bosch #21) by Michael Connelly

Inherit the Bones (Gemma Monroe #1) by Emily Littlejohn

Little Boy Blue (Helen Grace #5) by M. J. Arlidge

Sex, Lies, & Serious Money (Stone Barrington #39) by Stuart Woods

The Twelve Days of Christmas (Andy Carpenter #15) by David Rosenfelt

The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict

The Education of Dixie Dupree by Donna Everhart

The Mothers by Brit Bennet

Orphans of the Carnival by Carol Birch

The Shores of Tripoli (Lt. Putnam & Barbary Pirates #1)

The Kept Woman by Karin Slaughter

Bronx Requiem by John Clarkson

Say No More (Jane Ryland #5) by Hank Philippi Ryan

The German Girl by Armando Lucas Correa

A Study in Scarlet Women (Lady Sherlock #1) by Sherry Thomas

The Fall Guy by James Lasdun

Land of Careful Shadows (Jimmy Vega #1) by Suzanne Chazin

D C Universe by Neil Gaiman

Adult Nonfiction

Some Writer! The Story of E. B. White by Melissa Sweet Hero of the Empire: The Boer War,...Winston Churchill by Candice Millard Cruising Through Caregiving by Jennifer Fitzpatrick Filthy Rich: A Powerful Billionaire...Jeffrey Epstein by James Patterson The Magnolia Story by Chip & Joanna Gaines A Life Well Played:My Stories by Arnold Palmer The Rain in Portugal by Billy Collins

Young Adult

Crooked Kingdom (Six of Crows #2) by Leigh Bardugo Holding Up the Universe by Jennifer Niven

Older Kids

Double Down (Diary of a Wimpy Kid #11) by Jeff Kinney
The Hammer of Thor (Magnus Chase & the Gods of Asgard #2) by Rick
Riordan

Younger Kids

Hotel Bruce by Ryan Higgins Leave Me Alone! by Vera Brosgol

Audiobooks

Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult The Last Days of Night by Graham Moore

DVDs

The Legend of Tarzan
Outlander Season 2
Me Before You
Game of Thrones Season 6

Poetry Anyone?

Library patron Chet Bowles loves to write Haiku poetry from out at his cabin on Mooselook. He has recently put together a blog to share Haikus. If you would like to read some of his and other people's poetry, check out his blog at <u>Rangeley Region Haiku</u> Chet also welcomes submissions from other poets.

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