And so a new year begins at the Nesmith Library. After a year of change in 2019, we hope to settle in this year. But we start 2020 with a couple of staffing changes.

Congratulations to Laura Montgomery, who will be transitioning to full-time with the New Year! Many of you have an ongoing relationship with Laura as she sources books for your book clubs or finds those hard to get titles from other libraries. The sheer volume of books and materials that Laura is getting for our community has outgrown a part-time position.

Christine Savukinas, who has taken over the Toddler Time story hour this past year, will be moving to the Children’s Room permanently as our new Children’s Library Assistant. She will continue with Toddler Time but will be helping out with all things Children.

We are looking forward to another wonderful year. As changes continue at the library, we are hoping to use the opportunities that these changes provide to better meet the needs of the community.

Happy New Year to all!

Strawberry Festival 2020 – Volunteers Needed

Planning has begun, and we need you! Attendance at monthly meetings is welcome, but not required.

The Strawberry Festival is not only one of the largest community events in Windham each year, but it is also the primary fundraising event. Funds raised benefit the Nesmith Library.

To volunteer or get additional information, please email flow@flowwindham.org.
January Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter, 
Adult Programming Librarian

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! Time to get back to all the great programming at the library!

Learn to Knit Workshop

Our Learn to Knit group resumes on January 7 at 6:00 p.m. We’ll continue to meet the first Tuesday of every month from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Bring your own needles and yarn, as supplies are not provided. This workshop is for ages 16 and up, and no registration is required. Just stop on in!

Nesmith Library Book Group

The Nesmith Library Book Group will have their fourth meeting on Wednesday, January 8 at 6:30 p.m., and this month we’ve been reading *The Good House* by Ann Leary. 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 at the meeting!) and mark your calendar; we meet every second 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.

Feasting with Your Instant Pot

Did you receive an Instant Pot for the holidays and don’t know where to begin? Are you interested in learning new recipes using this time-saving tool? Join us on Wednesday, January 15 at 6:00 p.m. when Liz Barbour of The Creative Feast brings us “Feasting with your Instant Pot.” Liz will demonstrate how to get the most out of your Instant Pot by taking us step by step through two healthy recipes, and when the food is ready, we’ll get to enjoy a sampling!

Liz Barbour has been cooking professionally in the Boston area since 1992 and started The Creative Feast in 2004. Liz’s cooking demonstrations and recipes have been featured on *New Hampshire Chronicle*, Channel 9’s “Cooks Corner,” and in various publications including *New Hampshire Magazine*. In 2017 Liz published her first cookbook *Beautifully Delicious: Cooking with Herbs and Edible Flowers*.

This program is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Space is limited, so register early!

Nesmith Library Trivia Night

Trivia is back! On Wednesday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m., we’ll be testing our knowledge on a variety of subjects. Grab your friends and form a team! Pizza will be served! This program is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required.

To register, or for more information on any of these programs, please call the library at 432-7154.

Here’s to a safe, happy, and healthy new year!
New Year, Same You: Celebrate Yourself

Molly Pevna,
Youth Services Librarian

For the Teens
As the new year rolls in, I want everyone to celebrate who they are and embrace it. You are beautiful. So make a New Year’s resolution to love yourself, because we’re making sure you’re getting some self care in January during finals week.

At our Crunch Time Cafe
January 22-24, 3:00-6:00 p.m. (except Friday when we close at 5:00 p.m.), we’ll be giving you all the resources you need to study including caffeine, device chargers, quiet study space, chill out space, and Scooter the Bunny on that Thursday!

As always we will also have our TAG Meeting the first Tuesday night of the month, January 7 at 6:30 p.m.

For the Kids
Join us for an Evening Storytime at the Nesmith Library on Thursday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. We will be having a special storytime with glow sticks, stories, glow crafts, and more! Wear your pajamas and enjoy stories, snacks, and other fun at the Nesmith Library! All ages welcome with a caregiver. No registration is required. For more information, please email our Head of Youth Services Azra Palo at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org or call the library at (603) 432-7154.

We’ll be continuing our special Saturday Storytimes on January 25 at 1:00 p.m. This month we’ll be learning Chinese.

Hogwarts, happening January 21 at 6:30 p.m., is also getting a little be of a facelift with online registration going live this month! Visit our website www.nesmithlibrary.org to register.

Finally, the new session of Preschool Storytime will start January 29. We will continue with our usual Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. As with Hogwarts, we’re switching to online registration which will open January 15. All registration forms can be found on our website, www.nesmithlibrary.org. Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org or call the library at (603) 432-7154.
New Year, Same Great Drop-in Storytimes

Azra Palo,
Head of Youth Services

**Toddler Storytime**  
Mondays 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.  
Fridays 9:30 a.m.  

Join us for toddler time with Miss Chris! We will read stories, sing, and dance. This program is for toddlers ages 18 months to 3 years accompanied by an adult caregiver. Toddler Time lasts approximately 20-25 minutes with time following the session for play and parent/child social interaction.

**Busy Bees Storytime**  
Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.  

Busy Bees are welcome to join Azra every Wednesday for baby storytime! Baby storytime is a great way to meet other caregivers and interact in a fun relaxed space as we shimmy, shake, rhyme, read, and more! Caregivers and little ones are given time at the end of storytime to socialize and play. All crawlers and movers (0-18 months) and siblings are welcome to join the storytime.

**Family Storytime**  
Fridays 10:30 a.m.  

Families of sizes and ages are invited to family storytime with Azra every Friday at 10:30 a.m. This storytime is all about getting up and moving and music! There will be a story and a craft to go along with it.

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**F.L.O.W. Book Donations on Hold**

The Friends of the Library of Windham (F.L.O.W.) are temporarily not accepting book donations as they sort through and prepare for next month’s Winter Book Fair at the Nesmith Library. The event will run February 13-15. Donations for the Book Fair in June will be accepted beginning Sunday, March 1, 2020, so please save your gently used books, games, and puzzles until then.

Visit [www.flowwindham.org](http://www.flowwindham.org) for more details.

Thank you for your continuous support!
F.L.O.W. presents...February
Build a Buddy Family Fun Day
& Book Fair at the Nesmith Library!

Windham Residents...you’re invited!

What? FREE Build a Buddy Workshop - Choose a 15” plush, design a t-shirt, play games, win prizes, shop the book fair & enjoy some snacks!

When? Build a Buddy Family Fun Day is **Sat, Feb 15th 11am—2pm**

The Book Fair is open Thursday - Saturday:
**Thursday 2/13**: 3-8pm for teachers, F.L.O.W. members, & retirees only
**Friday 2/14**: 9am-5pm (open to public)
**Saturday 2/15**: 9am-2pm (open to public)

Not a F.L.O.W. member? Join us with no strings attached! Visit our website at [www.flowwindham.org](http://www.flowwindham.org) to learn about the benefits. Only $35/family per year!

Not sure if you’re a member? Email us at membership@flowwindham.org.

How? Pre-register by calling the Nesmith Library at 603-432-7154.

May I request a specific plush for my child? Of course! Simply stop by the circulation desk at the Nesmith Library and choose from a variety of designs! Supplies are limited and are available on a first come first serve basis.

Questions? Want to volunteer? Email Michelle Tieman at michellertieman@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Michelle Tieman
Vice President of F.L.O.W.
Did You Know?

Azra Palo

As the cold winter continues and you’re looking for ways to keep your children entertained, did you know our great digital services offer children’s e-book and audio books with your library card? It’s true! Your entire family from babies to teens can benefit from our fabulous services. If the library is closed and you’re not sure where to start, these digital services have excellent library guides! Hoopla has a Children’s Genre, Libby by Overdrive has a Kids Catalog Guide under Explore, and cloudLibrary has new books uploaded under your favorite genres, which include children and teen genres. If you don’t have a library card and want to use our digital services before visiting us, you can register for a temporary digital access library card using the register link in our catalog, then use the code it gives you to log into Hoopla, OverDrive/ Libby, and cloudLibrary.

Questions? Ask any of our friendly youth service staff members at the children’s desk about how you can get started.

Digital temporary library card register link: https://findit.gmilcs.org/polaris/logon.aspxctx=29.1033.0.0.1&Header=1.

Our digital reading resources page with info and links to each of our services: https://nesmithlibrary.org/digital-reading.

Dates to Remember

1/1 New Year’s Day, library closed
1/2 Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Teen Read-a-Thon, 3:30-7:30 p.m.
1/3 Nesmith Quilters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.
1/6 Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
1/7 Learn to Knit Workshop, 6:00 p.m.; Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m.
1/8 Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Library Book Group, 6:30 p.m.
1/9 Glow in the Dark Evening Storytime, 6:30 p.m.
1/10 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
1/13 Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.; F.L.O.W., 6:30 p.m.
1/14 2020 Scripps Spelling Bee for Home Schoolers, 12:00 p.m.; Library Board of Trustees, 7:00-8:15 p.m.
1/15 Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Feasting with Your Instant Pot, 6:00 p.m.
1/16 Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.
1/17 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
1/18 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
1/19 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
1/20 MLK Jr. Day, library closed
1/21 Hogwarts, 6:30 p.m.
1/22 Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Crunch Time Cafe, 3:00-6:00 p.m.
1/23 Crunch Time Cafe, 3:00-6:00 p.m.
1/24 Crunch Time Cafe, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
1/25 Saturday Storytime, 1:00 p.m.
1/26 Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
1/27 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Trivia Night, 6:00 p.m.
1/28 Snow What Fun Storytime, 4:00 p.m.
1/29 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Trivia Night, 6:00 p.m.
1/30 Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.