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Who Woulda Thunk It?

*Diane Mayr,
Assistant Library Director*

The first thing you think of when you think of a library is books, maybe the second is DVDs? I'd like to add a few layers to your library thinking. How about *things* to help you in your creative endeavors? Or, *something* to use around the house, or in your car? Maybe *something* that can help you relax?

We have all these *things*, and more! Physical items that you utilize, rather than read about. For lack of a better term, here at the Nesmith Library we call them our "Unusual Items" collection. Some of them are being displayed this month in the large upright display case near the front door.

Our collection is growing! We were recently given donations of a snare drum and an acoustic guitar. These join our ukulele, Irish bodhrán drum, and a new portable keyboard. Family band time?

A generous donation from the Nesmith Library Quilters allowed us to add more arts and crafts items such as a Cricut Cuttlebug cutting and embossing machine, a wood burning

set, and a paper quilling kit.

Look for intricate (1,000 pieces) boxed puzzles for adults to borrow and complete at home. Many people swear that a puzzle is a simple way to take one's mind away from daily cares.

If you choose to spend time with friends, Exploding Kittens and Minecraft Card Game can provide the beginnings of a game night.

You'll now find STEM kits such as Q-BITS and Cubelets where you can have fun, and, as an bonus, learn science.

Also recently added, is a Blue Driver Scan Tool to analyze how your car is operating. We have other home analysis tools, too.

To see what else we have in our collection, visit the library, or use "Unusual Items" as a search term (limit the search to "Nesmith items only") in our online catalog.

Start thinking of the Nesmith Library in a whole new way!



LEGO® Party!

*Jane McCue,
Children's Librarian*

On Thursday, February 28 from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., children of all ages are invited to drop in and build at the Nesmith Library! Although participants will not be able to bring their LEGO creations home, they will be on display in the library for a short period. Bring the whole family and enjoy watching the creativity unfold!

Please note:

- No registration is required.
- Snacks and raffles are included.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult.



February Adult Programming

*Maria Schroeter,
Reference Librarian*

Mandala Rock Painting



Photo from *Rock Art Handbook* by Samantha Sarles

Mandalas are a geometric figure representing the universe in Hindu and Buddhist symbolism. On Wednesday, February 6 at 6:00 p.m., come for an evening of Zen as we create our own mandalas using acrylic paint and beach rocks. All supplies will be provided. Ages 16 and up, and registration is required.

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Succulent Container Garden

On Thursday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m., join us to plant a small succulent container garden. All



SAT Practice Test

*Sylvie Brikiatis,
Interim Director/Young Adult
Librarian*

On Tuesday, February 26, the Nesmith Library will offer a full length SAT practice test for Windham resident high school students. Practice makes perfect, so grab your #2 pencils and

calculators and join us. Space is limited so please call 432-7154 or email sbrikiatis@nesmithlibrary.org to register. Registration is required.

Doors open at 8:15 a.m. and test starts promptly at 8:30 a.m.



Teen Mini Maker Lab

Sylvie Brikiatis

Building Challenges

On Tuesday, February 26 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., the Nesmith Library invites teens ages 12 and up to join us for a Mini Maker Lab. Building Challenges are the theme for the day. Several projects will be available for different skill levels as well as supplies for those who just wish to explore and create. The projects range from learning simple

electronics to art projects or combining many different disciplines to create something new. Some projects will take the entire two hours, others just a few minutes, so drop-ins are welcome.

No registration is required.



Tax Forms Are Here

The new tax forms are here! We have 1040 instruction booklets and 1040 forms with schedules 1-6 all in one convenient booklet. There are no additional forms coming. Please visit www.irs.gov if you need other forms.

Teen Blind Date with a Book: The Pick-Up Artists

Sylvie Brikiatis

Great First Lines

Come in anytime after February 1 and visit the display in the YA section of the Nesmith Library. Read the short description of each wrapped book (the first lines of the book). Pick one to read. Fill out the enclosed review sheet and return it to the library for a chance to win an Amazon gift card. Don't see a book on display that stirs your interest? Pick any book you like and ask for a review sheet at check out.



Books can be selected until the end of the month. Review forms need to be returned by 5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 3 to be considered for the raffle.

Animal World Experience Comes to Nesmith Library

Jane McCue

On Wednesday, February 27 at 10:30 a.m. Animal World Experience will present their Winter Wonder Live Animal Show for school age children. Due to the nature of these live animals, this program is for children ages five and up who can independently sit through an hour-long presentation and follow instructions given by the educator.

Animal World Experience was founded in 2006 by Matt Gabriel. In Matt's own words, "The mission of Animal World Experience is to provide the funnest, most interactive, and educational animal

presentations to audiences of all ages. I hope that through my animal presentations people will develop respect and awareness for animals for all kinds." The exact animals that attend on the day of the program will vary based on availability and the discretion of the educator. For more information regarding this event, visit <http://www.animalworldexperience.com/>.

Registration is required and space is limited. Please call the library at 432-7154 or stop by the front circulation desk to register. If you have an interest in animals, and are five years of age or older,

this is one show you will not want to miss!

Parental note: Per educator's request, children must be five years of age or older to attend. Some animals easily frighten and these guidelines are for the safety of all.



F.L.O.W. Reminders

Rachel Deandrea,
F.L.O.W. Publicity

Here are some important dates of note from the Friends of the Library of Windham (F.L.O.W.).

Save the date for this year's Strawberry Festival. It will be held on Saturday, June 1.

The last day to donate books for the upcoming book sale is March 1.

Keep an eye out for F.L.O.W. scholarship information. This will be coming out shortly.



F.L.O.W.
Friends of the Library of Windham

From the Children's Room

Jane McCue

Winter Weather
Reminder! Parents please note:

- When Windham schools have a delayed opening, the morning Story Hour session will be

cancelled.

- When Windham schools are closed, BOTH the morning and afternoon Story Hour sessions will be cancelled.
- When Windham

schools are delayed OR cancelled, BOTH the Toddler Time sessions will be cancelled.

Thank you for your continued support.

New Children's Picture Books

Jane McCue

All the Animals Where I Live by Philip C. Stead
I Am Not a Fox by

Karina Wolf

Bark Park! by Trudy Krisher

The Breaking News by Sarah Lynne Reul

Carmela Full of Wishes by Matt De La Pena

Chicken Talk by Patricia MacLachlan

I Do Not Like Books Anymore! by Daisy Hirst

Don't Touch My Hair by Sharee Miller

Duck and Hippo Give Thanks by Jonathan London

Duck and Hippo in the Rainstorm by Jonathan London

Duck Gets a Job by Sonny Ross

Elmore by Holly Hobbie

Forever or a Day by Sarah Jacoby

Found by Jeff Newman

Hands Up! by Breanna J. McDaniel

Li'l Rabbit's Kwamza by Donna L. Washington

A Round of Robins by Katie Hesterman

In a Small Kingdom by Tomie dePaola

Meet Miss Fancy by

Irene Latham

No Swimmng for Nelly by Valeri Gorbachev

The Pinata That the Farm Maiden Hung by Samantha R. Vamos

I Saw Santa in New Hampshire by J. D. Green

The Secret Life of Squirrels: A Love Story by Nancy Rose

The Snow Lion by Jim Helmore

The Stuff of Stars by Marion Dane Bauer

There Are No Bears in This Bakery by Julia Sarcone-Roach

Thunder Pug by Kim Norman

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Library Hours

Mon	9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Tue	9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Wed	9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Thu	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 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

The Nesmith Library will be closed on Monday, February 18 for Presidents Day.

Dates to Remember

2/1	Blind Date with a Book Begins	and 10:30 a.m.	tainer Garden, 6:00 p.m.
2/4	Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.	2/16	Teen Tech Mentoring, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
2/6	Teen Tech Mentoring, 3:00-5:00 p.m.;	2/18	Presidents Day, Library Closed
	Mandala Rock Painting, 6:00 p.m.	2/19	Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00-8:15 p.m.
2/7	Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.	2/21	Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.;
2/11	Toddler Time, 9:30		Succulent Con-

