The Merry Month of May

Diane Mayr,
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It seems that spring is finally here, and if that’s not enough to get you celebrating, there are these:
National Bike Month.
[www.bikeleague.org/bikemonth](http://www.bikeleague.org/bikemonth)
Take a ride along the Windham Rail Trail. Then, read *Bicycle Science* by David Gordon Wilson [629.2272 WIL] to learn the secrets of bicycle aerodynamics and how you remain upright while riding!
Gardening for Wildlife Month.
[www.nwf.org](http://www.nwf.org)
*Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants* by Douglas W. Tallamy [639.9 TAL] can get you started. If you don’t want to plant your own garden, visit the Nesmith Library’s butterfly garden, which was created and is maintained by the Windham Garden Club.
National Meditation Month.
[www.thedeepcalm.com](http://www.thedeepcalm.com)
We have much material on mediation in multiple formats. Browse through the 158.1 and 294.3 print and audiobook sections.
Mystery Month.
[www.booklistreader.com](http://www.booklistreader.com)
In our fiction section, look for the hundreds of books with the green mystery stickers.

Team Trivia Night

Maria Schroeter,
Reference Librarian / Interlibrary Loan / Adult Programming

Trivia Night is back! On Wednesday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. we’ll be enjoying pizza and testing our knowledge on a variety of topics. Recruit friends and family to form a team! Ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Please call the library at 432-7154 to register or for more information.
From the Children’s Room

Jane McCue, 
Children’s Librarian

Pajama Story Hour
Hey Parents! How would you like to bring your children in their jammies for a fun hour of stories, songs, and games led by the children’s librarians? If so, mark your calendar for Wednesday morning, May 9, from 10:00 to 11:00 for a special Pajama Story Hour for children.

This one-time event is for children three to six years of age and will include a take home craft. Although the child attends story hour independently, a parent or guardian needs to remain in the library at all times. This program is open only to families who are Nesmith Library cardholders.

Children are encouraged to wear pajamas and bring along a favorite stuffed animal. Registration is required. Please stop by the front desk or call the library at 432-7154 to reserve a spot.

Kids Comic Club
Do your kids love to read comics and graphic novels? Are they learning to draw or practice their cartooning skills? Do they love Japanese manga and anime? Stop by on Tuesday, May 15 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. for our first-ever Kids Comic Club! Kids will watch animated films and improve their art skills. Don’t like to draw? No problem! They only need to bring an interest in comics to join the conversation and discuss their favorite art and stories.

Art supplies will be provided, but kids are welcome to bring their own. After school snacks and drinks will be available. While you’re here, check out the library’s expanding graphic novels collection, too!

The club is recommended for ages 7-12, and registration is required. Please stop by the front desk or call the library at 432-7154 to register.

Home School Program
On Thursday, May 24 at 10:30 a.m., the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum will present one of their popular travel programs at the Nesmith Library for home school students. This 45-minute presentation is recommended for ages five and up and will include artifacts and a PowerPoint presentation about Native American culture.

Located in Warner, N.H., the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Education and Cultural Center, connects people of today with 20,000 years of ongoing Native American cultural expression.

The museum embraces cultural diversity and encourages responsible environmental action based on respect for nature. For more information on this museum, visit their website at https://www.indianmuseum.org

Explore North American regions and their artifacts as you learn more about another culture. Registration is required. Please stop by the front desk or call the library at 432-7154 to register.

Toddler Time
Karen Frey, 
Circulation Coordinator

Toddler Time is a drop-in program for children ages 18 months to three years, accompanied by a favorite adult. The program is offered on Monday mornings, and you choose either the 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. session to attend. No registration is required. Toddler Time lasts approximately 20-25 minutes, featuring books, songs, and movement activities. This is followed by time for social interaction and play. The following dates have been scheduled:

- May 7
- May 14

Please remember that if Windham schools are closed or delayed due to weather conditions, both sessions of Toddler Time will be cancelled.
F.L.O.W. Events and Update

Jaimie Baker,
F.L.O.W. President

Painting at the ART House
41 Range Road, Windham, N.H.

For Adults
Thursday, May 3, 6:30 p.m.
During the adult (ages 21+) program, we’ll be painting precepts (words to live by) on wooden signs. 20 attendees max, and you can sign up in the library, or through the F.L.O.W. (Friends of the Library of Windham) website at https://www.flowwindham.org/product-page/adult-art-house-precepts. Cost is $23 for the small sign or $28 for the larger version; payment is due when you register. Nibbles will be provided and feel free to B.Y.O.B.

For Kids
Saturday, May 5, 1:00 p.m.
The kids painting program is for children ages five and up. We’ll be painting precepts on rocks. Two rocks per child, with the opportunity to have one rock placed in the Nesmith Library garden! Cost is $18. 20 attendees max. Snacks will be served. Sign up online at https://www.flowwindham.org/product-page/painting-precepts-on-rocks.

May First Sunday
Sunday, May 6
1:30 p.m.
Multipurpose Room
This is the last meeting until September. Come join in the fun, learn about new books, and meet new people!
The Friends of the Library of Windham is happy to offer this new benefit for F.L.O.W. members – a monthly coffee hour during the school year on the first Sunday of each month from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the multipurpose room of the Nesmith Library. Come and join us, share a hot drink, and hear about some of the library’s newest acquisitions. Plus, you will get the first crack at looking at these new books.
If you’re not yet a member of F.L.O.W., this is a great time to join!

Virtual Author Talk
Tuesday, May 22
6:30-8:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room
R.J. Palacio will be joining us virtually, through the magic of YouTube, as we watch and listen to her speech delivered at Bowdoin College on February 24, 2016. Ms. Palacio addresses her inspiration for writing Wonder and discusses the “choose kind” movement. Refreshments provided! Please register at the library or online at https://www.flowwindham.org/events/virtual-author-presentation.

Strawberry Festival and Book Fair
Saturday, June 2
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Windham High School
Please help support the Nesmith Library by attending the annual Strawberry Festival and Book Fair! We’ll continue the tradition of the book fair, indoor “bounce” area, basket raffles, carnival games, dunk tank, food, and of course, the strawberry shortcakes. New events include:
• Balloon Artist
• Caricaturist
• Chair Massages
• Corn Hole Tournament
• Microsoft Virtual Reality
F.L.O.W. members may pick up their free strawberry shortcakes at the F.L.O.W. table. If you’d like to volunteer during the event, please do so at http://bit.ly/2FZJayv. For more information, please visit www.flowwindham.org/ or email StrawberryFestival@FlowWindham.org.

Book Donations
F.L.O.W. is accepting book donations for the upcoming Book Fair on June 2. Please drop them off at the library during normal business hours.

Festival Design Winner
F.L.O.W. is proud to announce the winner of the 2018 Strawberry Festival design contest. Congratulations Julien Thamer! Thank you to all who submitted entries. Be sure to look for them at the high school during the festival.
New Children’s Books

Jane McCue

**E Readers**

- Baby Bear’s Book of Tiny Tales by David McPhail
- Charlie and Mouse by Laurel Snyder
- Charlie & Mouse & Grumpy by Laurel Snyder
- Katie Woo: No More Teasing by Fran Manushkin
- Mitchell Is Moving by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat
- Should I Share My Ice Cream? by Mo Willems

**J Graphic Novels**

- Big Nate: Silent But Deadly by Lincoln Peirce
- Narwhall Peanut
- Butter and Jelly by Ben Clanton
- New Shoes by Sara Varon

**J Fiction**

- The 78-Story Treehouse by Andy Griffiths
- AHIMSA by Supriya}

Kieran Crowley

- Molly Mac: Three Two...One...Blastoff! by Marty Kelley
- My Worst Book Ever! by Allan Ahlberg
- The Night Garden by Polly Horvath

**Picture Books**

- Baby Animals Playing by Suzi Eszterhas
- The Bad Mood and the Stick by Lemony Snicket
- Cycle City by Alison Farrell
- Don’t Blink by Amy Krouse Rosenthal
- I Got It! by David Wiesner
- How the Finch Got His Colors by Annemarie Riley Guertin
- The Littlest Train by Chris Gall
- Not Quite Narwhal by Jessie Sima
- People Don’t Bite People by Lisa Wheeler

**Dates to Remember**

5/2 Anime Club, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
5/3 Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Painting at the ART House for Adults, 6:30 p.m.
5/5 Painting at the ART House for Kids, 1:00 p.m.
5/6 First Sundays with F.L.O.W., 1:30 p.m.
5/7 Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.; Strawberry Festival
5/9 Drop-in Pajama Story Hour, 10:00 a.m.; F.L.O.W. Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
5/14 Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.
5/15 Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00-8:15 p.m.; Kids Comic Club, 3:30-5:00 p.m.
5/16 Anime Club, 3:30-5:00 p.m.; Team Trivia Night, 6:00 p.m.
5/17 Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.
5/22 Virtual Author Talk, 6:30 p.m.
5/24 Home School Program, 10:30 a.m.
5/28 Memorial Day, Library Closed

- Strawberry Festival and Book Fair, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.