Forest Ranger Matt Bennett presents
“How to Protect our Forest”
Thursday, May 30, 2024
6-7 pm
(For children in grades K-2)

Children will learn about our forest, why it’s important, and how to protect it. Mr. Bennett’s friend Smokey Bear will join us too!

Celebrate Smokey Bear’s 80th Birthday by joining our new Reading Challenge that runs from May 30 - November 28, 2024. Earn badges and prizes as you read books and complete activities. Geared for ages 4-10 but everyone can join the fun! Reading lists include titles for adults too! Get started today at Beanstack!

Center for Wildlife Presents
“Birds of Prey”
Monday, June 24, 2024
6-7 pm

What is the difference between a hawk and a falcon? Do we have vultures in Maine? What is our smallest owl? What is our largest hawk? Where do they live? Center for Wildlife will be here with their amazing live non-releasable bird ambassadors, posters, and hands-on materials, and will discuss the kinds of birds of prey found in Maine, their habitats, habits, place in the food chain, and why we need to protect them.

All ages welcome
2024 Summer Reading Program

Saturday, June 22nd to Saturday, August 10th

- Beanstack Reading Challenges for all ages
- Special Programs & Events

More information to follow

Special Programs continued

Thursday, July 18th @ 6:30 pm

Meet Tim Caverly, a 32-year Maine Park Ranger, author and humorist as he presents
"A Hard Road to the Allagash Wilderness"

Take a virtual trip with retired Waterway Supervisor Tim Caverly through scenic and historic pictures travelling from Allagash Lake to Allagash Falls. Along the way, learn about the beginnings of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway as a Wild and Scenic River. Hear of increases in hiking trails, day use, and multiple vehicle access points. Learn about escalations of human development, limited rule enforcement and other efforts that degrade wilderness character.

A new StoryWalk® is coming on June 29th to Friendship Park!

Hector Fox and the Daring Flight by Astrid Sheckels.

"On a lazy summer day, Hector Fox and his friends watch a kite soar on the afternoon breeze and get a crazy idea: they also want to fly like a bird. Can the friends work together to design and build a flying machine?"

- Meet us there at 10 am
- Read the Story together
- Let’s Make Kites!
- Snacks & drinks

(materials provided)
Special Programs continued

State Troopers are coming!

On Wednesday, July 10th from 1 - 2 pm Corporal Kyle Wells will be here to talk about his job as a Maine State Police trooper.

Both Programs are geared toward ages K-5. Families & all ages Welcome!

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, August 7th from 1 - 2 pm to see a demonstration put on by the team of Sargent Hink and his Police K9 Berry!

Author Talk

Monday, July 15th
6:00 pm
Spend an Evening with Marianne Rice

Marianne is going to share with us what her life as a romance writer in Maine is like! Want to know more about the writing and publishing process? Join us for a Q & A session after her talk.

FMI check out her Website here!
Books & Banter Book Group

Books & Banter meets on the third Wednesday of each month from 12:00 - 1:00 pm. Selections include a thoughtful mix of fiction and non-fiction. You’ll find us in the downstairs Community Room!

- **June 19, 2024**
  - Closed for Juneteenth

- **July 17, 2024**
  - *When All Is Said*  
    By Anne Griffin

- **August 21, 2024**
  - *Redefining Realness*  
    By Janet Mock

Last month answer: the letter “M”

Opening Lines Book Group

We’d love to have you join us on the second Tuesday of each month for our Opening Lines Book Group! We will be meeting downstairs in our Library’s Community Room from 6 pm to 7 pm to discuss the featured book. Featured books will be available the month before the scheduled meeting so you won’t have to hunt them down!

- **June 11, 2024**
  - *The Stones of Ailsa Craig*  
    By David S. Florig

- **July 9, 2024**
  - *The Witch Elm*  
    By Tana French

- **August 13, 2024**
  - *Truth & Beauty: a Friendship*  
    By Ann Patchett

SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST  
9 AM - 1 PM  
FILL A BAG FOR $10!
Craft Night for Adults & Teens

We welcome our Teens and Adults to come and make a different craft each month. We will supply all the items needed - you just need to register so we know how many plan to attend. Each Craft Night will be held on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 6-7 pm (unless otherwise stated) in our downstairs Community room.

June 25th - Paint Stick Flag
July 23th - Glass Bead Suncatcher
August 27th - Decorative Twine/String Ball

Stop by, or call 247-3363 to register

Waterboro Public Library
Passes Available

- Brick Store Museum
- Children’s Museum & Theatre of Maine
- Maine State Park Pass
- Maine Wildlife Park
- Seashore Trolley Museum
- Strawberry Banke Museum

Passes are for WPL Patrons in Good Standing. Get your card today by signing up online or in person at the library!

To reserve a pass or check availability, stop by the library, call us at 247-3363, or email librarian@waterborolibrary.org

Nature Backpacks

Borrow from our Library of Things!

Looking for an adventure? We have several backpacks and kits that you can borrow! Featuring Birds, Wildlife & Plants!

Maine Audubon Nature Explorer Backpacks for children: (include items such as books and identifying materials, maps, record keeping sheets, and journaling supplies).

We have two Adult Backpacks, York County Audubon Backpacks for Birding available.

How do I borrow from the LoT’s? Have a WPL library card in good standing for six months; be over the age of 18, and have a signed Library of Things Borrower’s Agreement on file. Stop by the library today!
### Ongoing Programs

#### Genealogy Group

Join us from 3 - 4 pm.
- Thursday, June 6th
- Thursday, July 11th
- Thursday, August 1st

Drop in group. Use one of our laptops or bring your own to research your ancestry. We have access to a few online resources that are free only inside the library. We also have genealogy books and enthusiastic researchers to help you get started!

#### Astronomy Club

Waterboro Public Library is pleased to offer a new and exciting program for children in grades 1-5. Come to Astronomy Club on the first Monday of each month from 4-5 pm. Children will explore astronomy and other topics in Space exploration with Gwendolyn from Ossipee Hill Farm & Observatory.

Save these dates:
- June 3rd
- July 1st
- August 5th

#### Summer Story Time!

Summer Story Hour
- Every Wednesday
- 10 am - 11 am
- June 26th - August 7
  *(We will not meet June 5 & 12)*

Planned for ages 2-4 but everyone is welcome!

*Stories, Songs, Rhymes & Crafts*

#### Lego Club

For Grades K and up!

*Come and create using your imagination!*

- 4 - 5:30 pm

Thursday, June 27th
- Thursday, July 25th
- Thursday, August 29th

Please sign up at the Children’s Circulation Desk!

#### Fiber Arts Group

Meets every Monday
- 2:00 - 3:30 pm in the Library Community Room

*All crafters welcome!*