



Welcome to the Baker Free Library's February 2012 e-newsletter! This publication features upcoming events and news important to Baker Free Library users and Bow residents. If you have any questions or comments regarding this e-newsletter, please contact Lori Fisher, Library Director, at [bfldirector@comcast.net](mailto:bfldirector@comcast.net) or 224-7113. This is your library -- please let us know what you need!

### **UPCOMING CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS & CLASSES**

**\*\*All children's classes require registration EXCEPT for Pajama Storytime and Bow Builders.\*\***

#### **Active Listeners: Thursdays 2/2 - 2/23, 10:30 a.m.**

This 30-minute interactive class is for children under age 3 with an adult. Activities include simple fingerplays, elementary flannel boards, very short books, and easy movement.

**Family Storytime: Tuesdays 2/7 - 2/21, 10:30 a.m. OR Fridays 2/3, 2/17 & 2/24, 4:00 p.m.** This 30-45 minute class is for children up to age 6 with an adult; perfect for families with several children of different ages. Activities include stories, songs, fingerplays, flannel boards, creative movement, and simple crafts.

#### **Rookie Readers: Thursdays 2/9 & 2/23, 4:00 p.m.**

This is a book club designed for newly independent readers. Children should be in grades K-2 and able to read on their own. Each class includes a book discussion, snack, read-aloud, and activity related to the theme of the day. For the 2/9 meeting, participants should bring a book they absolutely LOVE. For the 2/23 meeting, children can read any book by Jane Yolen.

#### **Pajama Storytime: Friday 2/10, 6:30 p.m.**

Families with children up to age 6 are welcome to wear their pajamas and drop in for 30 minutes of bedtime stories with Miss Jennifer.

#### **Bow Builders: Saturday 2/18, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Play paves the way for learning at the library! In this hands-on workshop, children can unleash their creativity with Legos. Library staff will be available for creative inspiration. Children under age 7 MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times. No registration is required -- just drop in! Photos of all creations will be posted on our web site.

#### **Grades 3-5 Book Club: Wednesday 2/22, 4:00 p.m.**

This is a monthly book club for children in grades 3-5. Activities include a book discussion, snack, and an activity

related to the title of the day. For this meeting children should read *Inside Out & Back Again* by Thanhaa Lai. Copies of the book are available at the circulation desk at the library.

### **UPCOMING TEEN CLASSES & EVENTS**

#### **Next Chapter Club @ BHS: Thursday 2/2, 9:05 a.m. to 9:35 a.m.**

Take time to meet up and discuss the ultimate in entertainment - reading books! Bow High School students are invited to join this new club which meets monthly at the BHS Library Media Center. Have book discussions, recommend good reads to peers, and plan some book-related events for teens to be held at the Baker Free Library. Club members will also be eligible to join our Teen Advisory Board (which meets monthly at BFL) and earn community service hours. To join, contact Mrs. Mottola at BHS, [lmottola@bownet.org](mailto:lmottola@bownet.org), or Jen Leger at [bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net](mailto:bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net).

#### **Page Turners 2.0 @ BMS: Mondays 2/6 - 2/20, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.**

Are you an enthusiastic reader who wants to talk about books? Bow students in grades 6-8 are invited to join this REACH program at Bow Memorial School. Recommend books to your peers and have book discussions. The group will begin reading *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins at the 2/6 meeting. Space is limited, so contact Mrs. Romano at BMS, [cromano@bownet.org](mailto:cromano@bownet.org), or Jen Leger at [bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net](mailto:bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net) to sign up!

#### **Teen Advisory Board Meeting: Thursday 2/9, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

TAB members are invited to contribute to the BFL staff picks display for February. We will check the library catalog for titles of your favorite romantic movies and fill out a recommendation. Students in grades 7 to 12 are invited to join TAB. Visit our website ([www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org](http://www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org)) to learn more and to download a TAB application.

#### **Wii Teen Night - Winter Series: Friday 2/17, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

Move to the groove of the latest version of *Just Dance* and enjoy refreshments. Teen nights are open to Bow students in grades 7 to 12. Mark your calendars for future Wii Teen Nights on 3/16. For more information, call Jen or Betsy at 224/7113.

### **UPCOMING ADULT WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS**

#### **Men's Coffee Chat: Wednesday 2/1, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon**

Everyone has a few stories to tell (even if they think they don't). Enjoy casual conversation about life experiences. No pressure to share; listeners are always welcome. Open to men of all ages. Registration is not required.

#### **Happy Hookers @ White Rock: Tuesdays 2/7 - 2/28, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Meet up and unwind with beginner and experienced needle crafters. Simply bring a project and a coffee cup. We provide the company and creative inspiration if needed. For more information please contact Jen Leger at 224-7113.

**Ladies' Night - Fused Glass: Monday 2/13, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

*Back by popular demand!* Discover the art of fused glass with local resident Cheryl Moore while creating a unique sun catcher/ornament. The ancient art of fused glass has regained popularity in recent years due to its simple beauty. Even beginners can produce stunning results! Ladies' Nights are hands-on workshops for ages 13 through adult. A light meal will be provided. A \$5 material fee is due upon registration. Space is limited; call 224-7113.

**Book Talks: Tuesday 2/14, 12:30 p.m. OR 6:30 p.m.**

At this meeting we will discuss *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonsen. The March discussion book, *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel, will be available for pick up.

**Computer Literacy 6-Week Series: Fridays 3/2 - 4/6, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon**

*Back by popular demand!* Join Bow resident John Trombly for an informative PC computer workshop series specifically for adults - no jargon, not too fast-paced, and plenty of time for individual questions. Class topics include Hardware Basics, Software Basics, Your Online World, and Efficiency Through Computing. Snow day make-up is Friday 4/13. Registration is required and space is limited; call 224-7113.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

**Lower Level Renovation Public Information Meeting on 2/13**

To find out more about the library's proposed Lower Level Renovation project and 2012 warrant article for \$32,000 to keep moving the project forward, please drop by the library on Monday 2/13 between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. The renovation addresses many community needs. Come to this meeting to see the space and talk with the Baker Free Library Trustees and the Renovation Committee about this community project! Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Renovation Committee chairperson Ingrid White at [ingrid@com1.net](mailto:ingrid@com1.net).

**Inter-Library Loan Delays**

Due to a server malfunction at the state level, the state-wide Inter-Library Loan (ILL) union catalog has been down since 1/19. It will be a week or more before the server can be replaced, so right now any ILL requests placed will be delayed. Most requests will take more than two weeks to fill, so please plan accordingly. We appreciate your patience as we try to get the materials you need while using a work-around system that is not nearly as efficient as the union catalog! If you have questions, please call Amy Bain, our ILL Coordinator, at 224-7113 or e-mail [bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net](mailto:bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net).

**Library Closures for February Holidays**

The Library will be *CLOSED* on Monday 2/20 in observance of President's Day. We will re-open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 2/21. Please use our exterior CD/DVD drop and book drop to return materials over the holidays, or renew materials through our online library catalog at [www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org](http://www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org). You will need your library card number to log into your library account.

### **New eBooks purchased for February**

The following eBooks titles were purchased for January and are available now unless otherwise noted. These books are available through the New Hampshire Downloadable Books web site, <http://nh.lib.overdrive.com> (need a valid Baker Free Library card to log in to the site), and are have the advantage symbol next to their title:



*Annexed* by Sharon Dogar

*A Clash of Kings* by George R. R. Martin

*Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Safran Foer

*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

*The Innocent Man* by John Grisham

*The Ivy & Bean Bundle, Books 4-6* by Annie Barrows

*Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey* by The Countess of Carnarvon

*Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonsen

*The New Kid* by Mavis Jukes

*Please Look After Mom* by Kyung-Sooko Shin

*Swamplandia!* by Karen Russell

*Then Again* by Diane Keaton

*Witch & Wizard* by James Patterson

### **When you have trouble logging into the NH Downloadable Books site and/or the library catalog...**

Lately we've had a number of patrons concerned when they are not allowed to log into the NH Downloadable Books web site, either directly or through the library catalog. Here's the run-down of possible reasons:

**1. Your library card has expired.** This occurs every two years (for residents) and every year (for all other card holders). To renew your card, you need to come to the library in person with the appropriate id. For residents, you also need proof of residency. For employees of Bow businesses, you will need to show proof of employment in a Bow business. Out-of-Town cardholders need to pay their annual fee at the time of renewal.

**2. You have DVD fines on your card and/or overdue item(s) that are 30+ days overdue, and the total due is more than \$10.** Once the total dollar amount assessed to your card is over \$10, your card is suspended. At that point we have made 2 phone calls about overdue items, and the 30+ days overdue mail notice has been sent. The value of the materials checked out on your card is assessed as a fee to be paid once they items are 30+ days overdue. When the materials are returned in good condition, your account will be clear and available for use. If you use NHDB regularly, please make sure to return materials before the 30+ day overdue notice is sent, and please pay your DVD fines in a timely manner so that your card is not suspended.

**3. The server for our Apollo circulation software is down.** This happened recently on a Saturday evening, and prevented our patrons from accessing both the catalog and their NHDB accounts for a 12 hour period. We try to communicate these issues to our patrons via Twitter and Facebook if we know about the problem from our vendor, Biblionix. This type of outage is a rare occurrence -- the first two reasons are the usual suspects when someone can't access their NHDB account.

As always, if you have a question about your library card account and/or can't access your NH Downloadable Books account, please e-mail [bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net](mailto:bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net) with your name, card number, and specific description of the problem. We'll help you as quickly as we can!

**Next Library Board of Trustees Meeting: Wednesday 2/8 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room.**

### **FRIENDS OF THE BAKER FREE LIBRARY NEWS**

#### **Gibson's Bookstore February author visits**

For those who are looking to meet authors, you might want to consider Gibson's Bookstore events. During the month of February, they have a number of authors visiting, including Betsy Scholl (recent poet laureate of Maine), Morgan Callan Rogers (*Red Ruby Heart in the Cold Blue Sea*), Toby Lester (*Da Vinci's Ghost: Genius, Obsession, and How Leonardo Invented the World in His Image*), Tovar Cerulli (*The Mindful Carnivore: A Vegetarian's Hunt for Sustenance*), and Matthew Pearl (*The Technologists*). For more information, visit their web site at <http://www.gibsonsbookstore.com>.

#### **Are you a Friend of the library?**

The Friends of the Baker Free Library is a not-for-profit group dedicated to supporting the library through community activities and fund raising. We provide museum passes, manage the book sale, and hold events in our efforts to promote community awareness and involvement in our library. The Friends group is ongoing and evolving, with monthly meetings and plenty of ways to participate at any level. If you are interested in being involved in any way, or just being on our e-mail list, please look for our flyer or contact Christine Carey, President, at [friendofBFL@gmail.com](mailto:friendofBFL@gmail.com) or 225-7224. Join the fun!

### **TOWN OF BOW NEWS**

#### **Filing period for town offices ends 2/3**

Anyone interested in running for a town office must file their candidacy with the Town Clerk between Wednesday 1/25 and Friday 2/3. Any candidate filing on the last day (2/3) must file in person. The Town Clerk will be available until 5 p.m. that day.

#### **Board of Selectmen February meeting dates**

The following Board of Selectmen meetings are scheduled for February: Tuesday 2/28 at 6:00 p.m. in Room A of

the Municipal Building on Grandview Road. All meetings are subject to change; please verify meeting times and dates at [www.bow-nh.com](http://www.bow-nh.com).

#### **Police Chief Coffee Chat on 2/12**

Chief Erin Commerford will hold the a public coffee chat on Wednesday 2/15 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the library's Meeting Room. Bow residents are encouraged to stop by any time during that hour to bring up issues or concerns that the Bow Police Department can assist with, or simply to say "hi" to Chief Commerford. For more information contact Bow Police Dispatch at 228-0511 or visit [www.bownhpolicedepartment.com](http://www.bownhpolicedepartment.com). Future coffee chat dates are Wednesday 3/21 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the library's Meeting Room.

#### **Budget Committee public hearing on 2/16**

The Budget Committee will hold a public hearing on the 2012/2013 proposed town budget and warrant articles on Thursday 2/16 at 7 p.m. in the Bow Memorial School's Music Room. In the event of inclement weather, the public hearing will be held the next day, Friday 2/17, at the same time and place.

#### **Bow Town Center Informational Presentation on 2/22**

The Bow Town Center & Public Safety Facility Study Committee will host an informational presentation on the current town center plan on Wednesday 2/22 at 7 p.m. at the Bow Community Center, 1 Bow Center Road. Finger refreshments will be served. For more information visit [www.bow-nh.gov](http://www.bow-nh.gov)

#### **Town Elections and Meeting Dates**

Voting for town elections will take place on Tuesday March 13th from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Bow Community Center. Bow's Town Meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 14th at 7 p.m. in the BHS auditorium. The Bow School District meeting will take place on Friday March 16th at 7 p.m. in the BHS auditorium.

*The mission of the Baker Free Library is to serve the informational, educational, and leisure needs of the residents of Bow. The library promotes, develops, and maintains open access to the facilities, resources, and services available locally and through inter-library networks. Baker Free Library assures an environment that stimulates the knowledge, culture, and the pure enjoyment of reading. For more information about library programs, policies, and offerings, visit [www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org](http://www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org).*

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