



Happy New Year and welcome to the Baker Free Library's January 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 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.****

Pajama Storytime: Friday 1/13, 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.

Family Storytime: Tuesdays 1/17 - 1/31, 10:30 a.m. OR Fridays 1/20 & 1/27, 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.

Active Listeners: Thursdays 1/19 & 1/26, 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.

Rookie Readers: Thursday 1/19, 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 this meeting, participants should read any book by Cynthia Rylant.

Bow Builders: Saturday 1/21, 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 1/25, 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 *A Single Shard* by Linda Sue Park. Copies of

the book will be available at the circulation desk at the library.

UPCOMING TEEN CLASSES & EVENTS

Next Chapter Club @ BHS: Thursday 1/5, 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, or Jen Leger at bowbakerfreelibrary@comcast.net.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting: Thursday 1/12, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Read any good books over vacation break? Bring a title to nominate for the 2013 Flume Awards (visit www.nashualibrary.org/YALS/Flume for more information). Students in grades 7 to 12 are invited to join TAB. Visit our website (www.bowbakerfreelibrary.org) to learn more and to download a TAB application.

Wii Teen Night - Winter Series: Friday 1/20, 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: Fridays 2/17 and 3/16. For more information, call Jen or Betsy at 224/7113.

UPCOMING ADULT WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

Happy Hookers @ White Rock: Tuesdays 1/3 - 1/31, 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.

Digital Reading: What's The Hype With eBooks and eReaders?: Tuesday 1/3, 6:30 p.m.

Join library director Lori Fisher as she discusses the impact of eBooks and eReaders on reading. The library starts loaning Nook Touch and Kindle Touch eReaders at this meeting, preloaded with content! Borrowing eBooks from the NH Downloadable Books Consortium will also be explained and discussed. Come see what all of the hype is about, and learn how digital products can be a welcome addition to your reading life. Registration is required; call 224-7113.

Men's Coffee Chat: Wednesday 1/4, 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.

Jigsaw Junkies: Saturday 1/7, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Adults can drop in and pick up a couple of jigsaw puzzles for winter entertainment! Light refreshments will be served. Puzzle donations accepted.

Book Talks: Tuesday 1/10, 12:30 p.m. OR 6:30 p.m.

At this meeting we will discuss *Bright-Sided: How the Relentless Promotion of Positive Thinking Has Undermined America* by Barbara Ehrenreich. The February discussion book, *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonsen, will be available for pick up.

Computer Literacy 4-Week Series: Fridays 1/13 - 2/3, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon

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 (1/13); Software Basics (1/20); Your Online World (1/27); and Efficiency Through Computing (2/3). Snow day is Friday 2/10. Registration is required and space is limited; call 224-7113.

Ladies' night - Chocolate Lovers: Monday 1/23, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Create some sweets for your sweetheart (and yourselves) at this popular Ladies' Night where Betsy and Jen will guide you in making assorted chocolate confections. 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.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Closures for January Holidays

The Library will be *CLOSED* Monday 1/2/2012 in observance of the New Year's holiday. We will re-open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 1/3 at our regular time of 10 a.m. The Library will also be *CLOSED* on Monday 1/16 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. We will re-open at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 1/17. 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. You will need your library card number to log into your library account.

New eBooks purchased for January

The following eBooks titles were purchased for January and are available now unless otherwise noted:

A Year Without Autumn by Liz Kessler

Abe Lincoln at Last! by Mary Pope Osborne

Baby, Don't Go by Stephanie Bond

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo by Stieg Larsson

The Girl Who Played With Fire by Stieg Larsson

The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest by Stieg Larsson

Harvesting the Heart by Jodi Picoult

Lily Pond by Annika Thor
The Lost Hero by Rick Riordan
The Lost Stories by John Flanagan
Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern
The Orphan Master's Son by Adam Johnson **released 1/10/12
Three Tales of My Father's Dragon by Ruth Stiles Gannett
Vision in White by Nora Roberts

Next Library Board of Trustees Meeting: Wednesday 1/11 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room.

FRIENDS OF THE BAKER FREE LIBRARY NEWS

Gibson's Bookstore shopping a success for the Friends!

The book fair with Gibson's Bookstore in early December brought over \$100 to the Friends in support of the library! That means the participants all together spent over \$500 in merchandise, 20% of which came to us. Thank you to all who helped the library and our local bookstore while doing their holiday shopping.

Gibson's Bookstore January author visits

For those who are looking to meet authors, you might want to consider Gibson's Bookstore events. During the month of January, they have a number of authors visiting, including Mary Macklin (*Women: Fit at Fifty - A Guide for Long Living*), John M. Barry (*Roger Williams and the Creation of the American Soul: Church, State, and Birth of Liberty*), Barbara Brown Taylor (*An Altar in the World*), Tom Fitzgerald (*Poor Richard's Lament: A Most Timley Tale*), and Betsy Sholl (poet laureate of Maine). For more information, visit their web site at

<http://www.gibsonsbookstore.com>.

Friends to participate in WinterFest 2012

The Bow Winter Fest will be held on Sunday, 1/29 at the Bow Community Center, and will involve many Bow organizations such as the Friends. There will be sledding, skiing, puck shootouts, a mini-iron man, and more. The Friends will be running a poster contest during the event, and will have information available on the library's proposed lower level renovation. For more information about Bow WinterFest, please contact Gerry Carrier at gerrycarrier@msn.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 or 225-7224. Join the fun!

Next Friends of Baker Free Library meeting will be held on Monday 1/9/2012 at 7 p.m. in the Library's Meeting Room.

TOWN OF BOW NEWS

Board of Selectmen January meeting dates

The following Board of Selectmen meetings are scheduled for January: Friday, 1/6 at 5:30 p.m. in Room A of the Municipal Building on Grand view Road; Tuesday 1/10 at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Department on 2 Know Road; and Tuesday 1/24 at 6:00 p.m. in Room A of the Municipal Building, 10 Grand view Road. All meetings are subject to change; please verify meeting times and dates at www.bow-nh.com.

"One Check" DMV renewals are coming to Bow

The office of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector soon will be adopting the "single check" system. Starting in January 2012, individuals registering a vehicle will only need to write one check, payable to the Town of Bow. A separate check to the State of NH-DMV will no longer be needed! The staff of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office is excited to offer this service to residents. It is one More step in our ongoing efforts to improve the way we do business. In the near future, if approved, we look forward to offering online services and accepting debit & credit card payments. *PLEASE PLAN AHEAD: on Tuesday 1/3 the Town Clerk's office will open to the public at 9:30 a.m. due to the software update necessary for "One Check" DMV.* Questions? Call 225-2683.

Voting in the NH Primary on 1/10

Voting for the Town of Bow in the New Hampshire Primary will take place on Tuesday, 1/10 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Bow Community Building at 2 Knox Road. Please contact the Town Clerk's office at 225-2683 with any questions.

Police Chief Coffee Chat on 1/12

Chief Erin Commerford will hold the first of three coffee chats on Thursday, 1/12 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. Future coffee chat dates are Wednesday 2/15 and Thursday 3/15 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the library's Meeting Room.

Bow/Dunbarton Informational Meeting on 1/18

The Bow School Board has scheduled an informational meeting on Wednesday 1/18 at 7 p.m. in the BHS auditorium regarding a possible agreement where Dunbarton students would attend the Bow School District. Currently Dunbarton has an agreement with Goffstown that ends in 2014. Pansy Bloomfield, Board Chair, will give an overview of the process involved; Dr. Cascadden, Superintendent, will talk about demographic and program impacts; and Duane Ford, Business Administrator, will discuss the preliminary financial implications. This will be

structured as an open forum with plenty of time for questions and feedback from the community. Questions? Contact Bow Superintendent Dr. Dean Cascadden at 224-4728.

Filing period for town offices begins 1/25

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.

Bow WinterFest on 1/29

Bow's annual WinterFest is scheduled to occur on Sunday 1/29 at the Bow Community Center. Family fun is scheduled for the entire day: snowfield volleyball; five-person sled race; hill sliding; skating; puck shootout; a mini-ironman race, and more! Hot lunch will be available for purchase. The day will wrap up with a bon fire and s'mores. Many Bow organizations will be participating to make this the best WinterFest ever. Questions? Contact Gerry Carrier at gerrycarrier@msn.com.

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.

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