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Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta
September 2024 Newsletter
www.lithgowlibrary.org

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. to Noon

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The Library will be CLOSED on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day.

The Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25th.

A Capital Read 2024



We are happy to offer our community read program, *A Capital Read*, once again. *A Capital Read* is a "one book" community read project spearheaded by Lithgow Library and sponsored by the Friends of Lithgow Library.

This year we are featuring another internationally bestselling Maine author Tess Gerritsen, and her latest book "The Spy Coast."

Join us for events in September exploring themes of the book, culminating in a talk by the author herself. Look for the logo for *A Capital Read* for corresponding programs.

Grow**Smart** Maine

Assistive Technology at the Library!

Lithgow Public Library now offers a selection of accessibility aids and assistive technology including standing desks, ergonomic keyboards and mice, a Cpen text-to-speech reader, mouse pads with wrist support, and Amazon Fire HD 10 Tablets loaded with a variety of apps and accessibility features. These new items are thanks to the Digital Equity Stipend Program from GrowSmart Maine, which seeks to support digital literacy and equity, provide device access, and promote online safety and accessibility. Ask a Librarian for more information or if you're interested in using one of these items.





"A Evening with Tess Gerritsen"

Wednesday, September 25th 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for cocktail hour in the Danforth Art Gallery at UMA's Jewett Hall from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. There will also be book sales and signing during that time. Immediately following, Tess will give a talk in the Jewett Hall Auditorium, across the hall. <u>The cost is free, but please</u> RSVP by September 16th.





How to Run a Book Club



Interested in starting a book club, or joining one, but are unsure how to begin? Meet our panel of experts and explore the nuts and bolts of book clubs.

Monday, September 9th at 6 p.m.



Getting Started with Backyard Chickens

Presented by Dr. Rachel White

Are you new to chickens? This talk will cover the best practices for chicken care. Topics include uses, selection processes, farm preparation, basic care, and equipment.

Tuesday, September 10th at 6 p.m.

Video Interview Presentation of "In True Face"





Join us for a conversation with Jonna Hiestand Mendez led by bestselling author Liza Mundy. Mundy is uniquely positioned to interview Mendez, whom she featured in her latest book, "The Sisterhood: The Secret History of Women at the CIA." They'll discuss Mendez's incredible spy career and what it took to achieve it.

Thursday, September 19th at 6 p.m.

Food Truck Fest at Mill Park

Saturday, September 7th from 12-4 p.m.



Come celebrate the library, and library card sign-up month, while grabbing lunch at one of several food trucks.
You can sign up for a library card, listen to some music, and learn what Augusta's public library has to offer you!

Returning Programs for Kids!

Weekly starting
September 5th!

Thoughtful Thursdays

10 a.m. ~ Ages 3 to 7

Monthly starting
October 2nd!

Food for Thought

6 p.m. ~ Ages 3 to 8

For more information, please visit Youth Services.



Silent Reading Group

Grab a book and (silently) join us.
Starting September 9th
Every Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Reading Room



NEW! Preschool Story Time

Starting September 4th!

Wednesdays at 4 p.m. ~ Suggested for ages 3 to 5



Join us for 20-25 minutes of stories, songs, and social fun.



Tween Scene:

Happy Birthday, Hobbits!

Wait - you don't know about Hobbits? Or "The Lord of the Rings?"
Then it's time to learn about some of the most fabulous stories
in literature. Join us to learn about the wonderful world of
J. R. R. Tolkien's Middle Earth.

For youth ages 8 to 12.

Wednesday, September 18th at 6 p.m.

Registration is required:

Please call: 626-2415, or email Kathy at **Lithgowtweens@gmail.com**

Climate Intervention Workshop with Peter Dugas



As climate change and its harmful effects accelerate, so too does the urgency for effective climate action.

Learn how various climate policy solutions work to stabilize the climate, and how they impact sustainability, justice, trade, energy and income disparity.

Wednesday, September 4th at 6 p.m.

So You Think You Know Maine!

presented by Tim Caverly

Discover facts and hear tales which can only be described as Classic Maine.



Lithgow Book Club

A monthly book discussion group for adults that is free and open to the public.

Reserve your copy today!



The Spy Coast by Tess Gerritsen

Wednesday, September 11th 6:30 p.m.



Landscaping with Native Plants

Presented by Tracy Weber



Tuesday, September 17th from 6 to 7 p.m.

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