

Pittsfield Public Library



December Library News

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**To appreciate the beauty of a snowflake, it is
necessary to stand out in the cold...**

The newsletter at a glance:

- The library will be **closed from 1:30-3pm on Wednesday, December 11** and all day **Wednesday, December 25th for Christmas Day.**
- The library will be hosting **Tech Tuesday** on the first Tuesday of each month in partnership with the SEDC; this month's event is on **December 3rd.**
- The library and the SEDC are holding a **free class on identifying online frauds and scams** from **12:30-1:30 PM on December 4th.**
- The library is hosting their annual holiday **Open House** from **2-5 on Thursday, December 12th.** Join the Friends of the Pittsfield Public Library for harp music, home baked cookies and raffle entries! Raffle tickets are available for purchase now.
- **Culture Club** celebrates **Kwanzaa** on **Wednesday, December 18th at 3PM**
- **KVCAP's Miss Jenny** will return in January - no playgroup in December.

- **Miss Cassidy** will be holding her **Craft Corners on the 11th and 18th** of this month at **4PM**
- **Mr. Wes** holds **Story Time on Mondays at 10:30AM** and **Fun STEM Time on Thursdays at 3:30PM**

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Join Us For The Library's Holiday Open House

**Enjoy Local Harpist Isleen Halvorsen
Sponsored by the Ann B. McGowan Fund**

The Friends of the Pittsfield Library invite patrons and public to enjoy holiday cheer from **2-5PM on Thursday, December 12**. Local harpist Isleen Halvorsen will serenade the upper library with holiday music, the raffle will be open for last minute entries, and the kids can enjoy crafts with Mr. Wes in the Warren Room. Light refreshments including home baked cookies will be served.



The raffle is open and wow, are there some wonderful items to be won! Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00 - be sure to put your name and phone number on each,

and drop them in the numbered buckets that correspond to the items you're interested in winning. Tickets will be for sale until 5 PM on Thursday, December 12th.

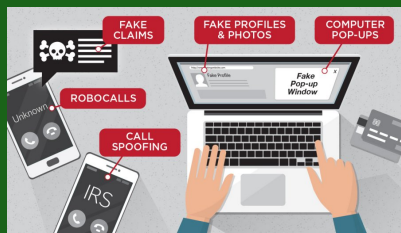
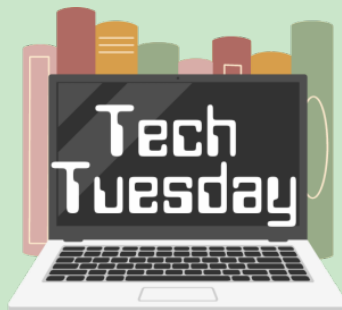
Winners will be drawn on Friday, December 13 and contacted by telephone. Come in and see the great items donated by our generous patrons. All proceeds from the raffle benefit library programs.

Get Your Computer Questions Answered on Tech Tuesdays!

The library is partnering with the Somerset Economic Development Corporation (SEDC) to offer Tech Tuesdays on the first Tuesday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30. This month's Tech Tuesday will be **December 3rd from 1:30-3:30.**

Come meet Scarlett, our SEDC Digital Navigator, and get help with

- how to use your smartphone
- how to navigate the web on your phone or computer
- how to sign up for Digital Literacy Classes to be held here at the library
- how to use common computer programs
- how to apply for reduced cost internet
- how to apply for free or reduced cost computers
- and anything else tech related that has been frustrating you!



Identifying Internet Frauds and Scams

Wednesday, December 4th from 12:30-1:30 in person at the Pittsfield Public Library

Learn about the different types of internet fraud and scams, the dos and don'ts of protecting yourself online and what to do if you have experienced online fraud or abuse. No device required; just bring yourself. Online registration is required. This class is free and open to the public.

[Click here to register](#)

Culture Club Celebrates Kwanzaa

Culture Club will explore the holiday of Kwanzaa on Wednesday, December 18th at 3:30PM. Kwanzaa is an important celebration for many African-Americans, and showcases Nguzo Saba, or the seven principles. Come join us to learn more about this important holiday, make some fun crafts, and get a free book to take home.

Beginning in the New Year, Miss Cassidy and Culture Club will be investigating animals from around the world on the third Wednesday of each month, starting a little later at 3:30PM. January's special creature will be the European Wood Mouse - join Miss Cassidy on January 15 at 3:30!



Miss Cassidy's Craft Corner

Join Miss Cassidy on Wednesday, December 11th at 4PM to make button tree ornaments. Then on Wednesday, December 18th, come learn a fun new twist on making snowflakes at 4PM! Held in the Warren Community Room.

No December KVCAP Playgroup - Miss Jenny will return on January 22 at 11AM.

A reminder to parents:

Our Safe Child policy specifically notes that “Responsibility for the welfare and the behavior of children using the library rests with the parent/guardian or an assigned chaperone. ***The Library staff does not take the place of a parent, act as a babysitter, or assume responsibility for unsupervised children.***”

While we absolutely love seeing children here, **no child under the age of 12 should be left unaccompanied at the library for longer than it takes to find and check out a book.** This is especially true as winter approaches and the library closes after dark. Parents are asked to use their judgement with older children.

The library is a shared public space that should be treated with respect by children and adults alike. Normal speaking voices are perfectly acceptable - no need to whisper! - but raised voices, yelling or screaming are not. Likewise, running is not permitted in the library. Shoes should be worn at all times. The elevator is here for the convenience of those that need it; it is not a toy.

Please note that any child behaving inappropriately or disruptively will be asked to leave until the following day; repeated infractions may result in a longer ban or loss of borrowing privileges.

The library would like to thank all of our patrons who have helped keep the Community Pantry stocked. We are in particular need of shaving cream, razors, hair brushes and combs.

For those wishing to donate personal care items to those in need, we have an Amazon wish list of items:

[Library Wish List](#)

thank
you!



The library offers much more than just traditional print books - we also have large print formats, audio books, DVDs, a selection of video games, and digital access to newspapers, journals and much more through the Maine Digital Library.



We also offer meeting spaces, a children's play area, computer and WiFi access, and ongoing programming throughout the year. Come check us out!

Need some more reading options?

[New York Times Bestseller List](#)

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[Nature Book Guide Quarterly](#)

How about some award winners?

Time to find a new author?

Want to know who writes like Colleen Hoover, James Patterson, or maybe Stephen King? Try the Literature Map tool and explore authors that other readers think write just like they do.

[Literature Map](#)

Discover the Maine Discovery Museum or Maine's state parks with the library's passes

Please note that the State Park Pass is not accepted at Acadia National Park, Allagash Wilderness Waterway, Baxter State Park, Maine Wildlife Park, Peacock Beach, Penobscot Narrows

Book Browse has lists of many award winners, from the Pulitzer Prize to the Edgar and everything in between.

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[Science Fiction Awards Database](#)

Or check out the Children's Book Review and Library Journal websites for more recommendations.

[Library Journal](#)

[Children's Book Review](#)

Observatory, Penobscot River Corridor, Scarborough Beach, Songo Lock, or Swan Island.

Please call the library for more information or to reserve either of the passes: 487-5880.

December Events

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Story Time Celebrates Santa with Mr. Wes
10:30AM in the Warren Community Room

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Tech Tuesday with Scarlett
in the Teen Room upstairs from 1:30-3:30PM

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Identifying Online Frauds and Scams
12:30-1:30PM in the Warren Community Room
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