



Pittsfield Public Library



October Library News

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**October is crisp days and cool nights,
a time to curl up around the dancing flames
and sink into a good book...**

The newsletter at a glance:

- The library will be closed **Monday, October 14th** in observance of **Indigenous People's Day**
- The Friends of the Pittsfield Public Library will be holding their **annual book sale** from **Thursday, October 10th** though **Saturday, October 12th** during library open hours (donations are closed until January, 2025)
- **Culture Club** celebrates **Samhain/Halloween** on **Wednesday, October 16th** at 3PM
- **KVCAP's Miss Jenny** returns **Wednesday, October 23rd** at 11AM

- **Miss Cassidy** will hold her first Craft Corner on **Wednesday, October 30** from 3:30-4:30
- **Mr. Wes** holds **Story Time** on **Mondays** at 10:30 and **Fun STEM Time** on **Thursdays** at 3:30

*Please note that weekend hours have resumed.
The library is open from 10-4 on Saturdays until July.*

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The Friends of the Pittsfield Public Library Book Sale is October 10 through October 12

*Audiobooks! Paperbacks! DVDs!
There's something for everyone!*

Join the Friends of the Library for their annual book sale! We have a little bit of everything, from large print to audiobooks, mass market paperbacks to coffee table tomes. Find mysteries, thrillers, non-fiction and children's books galore - and much, much more! The Warren Community Room will be packed full of treasures. So packed, in fact, that we will **no longer be accepting donations of used books until January, 2025.**

The sale will be held during library open hours (10-6 Thursday and Friday, and 10-4 Saturday). Prices are by donation unless otherwise marked. Come shop for yourself or find some early holiday gifts!

If you would like to volunteer your time (and be the first to see what's for sale), the Friends will be setting up during library hours on Wednesday, October 9. Assistance will also be needed after the sale, repacking any remaining books.



How to become a Library Trustee

Do you love the library? Would you like to advocate for it? Apply to become a library trustee! Trustees work together as a team to become involved in library advocacy, learning about library and community needs, and working to develop solutions. Trustees are expected to meet regularly, to become familiar with Maine library standards and applicable laws, and to ensure that the library fulfills its mission of providing exceptional service to the local community.

The application process is easy, and applications are available at the library or town office.

Culture Club Celebrates Samhain and Halloween!

Culture Club will investigate the pagan roots of Halloween this October. From its beginnings as a lunar holiday that celebrated the "thinning of the veil," the holiday has become a fixed time to shiver in dread of all things spooky. What are the origins of dressing up for Halloween? What were the original beliefs around Samhain and All Hallow's Eve? We'll find out!

In November we will celebrate Diwali and Kwanzaa in December to round out the year. Please join us Wednesday, October 16th to celebrate Halloween and Samhain!



Meet Miss Cassidy, our new Youth Services Librarian!

Please welcome Cassidy Wardwell to the library! Cassidy has a degree in early childhood development and is looking forward to working with kids of all ages



downstairs. Her first **Craft Corner** will be from 3:30 to 4:30PM on Wednesday, October 30th. Everyone is welcome to come make some fun Halloween crafts!

Pittsfield PARENT AND PLAYGROUP
Bring your kiddos and join us!

Where:
Pittsfield Public Library
110 Library Street
Pittsfield

When:
FOURTH Wednesday
of each month
11:00am - 12:00pm.

What:
Playtime!
Art, movement, stories
& sensory play

Activities designed for ages birth to 5; siblings and ALL are welcome!

FMI: Jenny 859-2521 or
jfreundlich@kvcap.org or
Find us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/kvcapfec>

Funding for the prevention councils is provided by DHHS/OCFS and supported by Maine Children's Trust.

Join KVCAP's Miss Jenny for her monthly playgroup!

KVCAP's Miss Jenny will return Wednesday, October 23rd at 11 AM for her monthly playgroup! Enjoy stories, crafts, sensory play and movement appropriate for ages birth to five. All are welcome!

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.

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!



Don't worry - the library has received its new 2024 Maine State Park pass! Patrons may check out the pass for three days; there is a \$5/day late fee. The pass must be checked out and returned in person and cannot be returned through the drop box.



The library also has a day pass to the Maine Discovery Museum in Bangor. It is valid for free, general admission for up to four patrons. The signed and dated form must be picked up from the library and presented at the museum.

Need some more reading options?

[New York Times Bestseller List](#)

[Publishers Weekly Bestseller List](#)

[Nature Book Guide Quarterly](#)

How about some award winners?

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

[Book Browse Award Winners](#)

[Science Fiction Awards](#)

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](#)

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

[Library Journal](#)

[Children's Book Review](#)

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 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.

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Board Game Night

Teen Room from 6pm-8pm

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Fun STEM Time with Mr. Wes: Twist!

from 3:30-4:30pm

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LEGO Club with Mr. Wes

from 1-2pm

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Monday thru Friday 10-6,
Saturday 10-4

Closed Saturdays in July
and August

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