



CURTIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

November Exhibit: Tom Jones
Photography of Costa Rica

Nov. 2, 9, 16 Portland String Quartet
course (761-1522 to register)

Nov. 5 Book Talk: Ernie Weiss
Out of Vienna 12:15 pm

Nov. 6 Bollywood film:
Salaam Bombay

Nov. 9 Conversation at Curtis,
by invitation

Nov. 11 Library closed Veterans' Day

Nov. 6 Bollywood film:
Om Shanti Om

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Nov. 25 Library closes at 5:00 pm

Nov. 26 Library closed Thanksgiving

December Exhibit: Will Richard &
Smithsonian Institution Arctic Studies
Center's Archeological Excavation of
Basque & Inuit Sites on the "Quebec-
Labrador" Public presentation Dec. 3
at 7:00 pm

Dec. 3 BDA Silent Auction, p. 2

Dec. 6 Sunday Fires begin, p. 9

Dec. 24 Library closes at 1:00 pm

Dec. 25 Library closed Christmas

Dec. 31 Library closes at 5:00 pm

Jan. 1 Library closed, New Year

Jan. 6 Winter Wisdom Series
begins, p. 9

Jan. 18 Library closed Martin Luther
King Day

Next newsletter late January

NEW LOOK - NEW BRAND



You may have noticed a new look at the library. On Monday September 21, Curtis Memorial Library had an open house to introduce its new brand. The launch of the new brand was the culmination of 18 months of work done by library staff, its Board of Directors and community members, beginning with an update of the library's strategic plan and ending with brand development.



As part of the strategic planning process over 850 Brunswick and Harpswell citizens gave input to the committee via surveys about the "state of the library". They told us that Curtis Memorial Library is an outstanding community resource, providing much more than a traditional library and that Curtis makes a real difference in the life of the community. Through its staff, books, information resources, programs and physical role as a community center, the library creates an environment of possibility and opportunity for each person who walks in the door.



They also told us that while they had great affection for the library's ship logo, it was somewhat dated and did not convey this message of possibility. This indicated to us an opportunity to develop a more relevant visual symbol and message about the library's role in today's community. The new logo is our effort to articulate the library's role as a source of optimism and possibility in a time of change.



We have also developed a unique group of "sub-brands" to highlight our in-house program partners: Kids, Teens and Friends. These logos use the same graphic elements as the parent logo and create an identifiable connection between the programs and the library.



Our partner in this process was Briggs Advertising of Bath, Maine whose clients have included: the Bath YMCA, Beale Street Barbeque, the Chocolate Church Arts Center, Downeast Energy, Highland Green, Mid Coast Hospital and Cold River Vodka. We are very happy with the final result and hope that you enjoy this new representation of the positive role of Curtis Memorial Library in the community. — ED



FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

STABILITY REQUIRES DIVERSIFIED FUNDING

Curtis Memorial Library has several sources of funding that help maintain it as a community resource. Since the library is in the process of kicking off the 2009-2010 Annual Book Fund, it might be helpful to explain “where the money comes from” that supports the library’s endeavors.

Curtis receives substantial financial support each year from the communities of Harpswell and Brunswick. This funding comes from tax dollars and is used to operate the library, meaning maintain the library building and grounds, pay the staff, keep the lights on, and keep the building warm in winter and cool in the summer. About 94% of the library’s operating budget comes from this source. Income from the library’s endowment, Curtis Friends, and fees/fines covers the remaining operating costs.

However, the library can’t just open its doors and expect to function as a library. There also need to be books, magazines, newspapers, music and movies to fill the library. The majority of the money required to buy these things comes from private gifts made every year to the Annual Book Fund. The remainder of the funds comes from the library’s endowment and a yearly gift from the Curtis Friends.

Finally, the library as a community center is also responsible for providing programming, particularly for children and teens but also for adults. Programming funding comes to the library via gifts from the Curtis Friends and our partnerships with the Community Health Information Partnership (CHIP) and Cornerstones of Science (COS).

You can see from this that keeping Curtis alive and healthy is indeed a community endeavor, supported by many people in many ways. We hope that when you receive your letter in the mail, asking for your gift to the 2009-2010 Annual Book Fund that you will feel comfortable making a gift, knowing the role that gift will play in the life of the library. —ED

ANNUAL MEETING IS THURS. NOV. 19

The public is invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Brunswick Public Library Association in the Morrell Meeting Room on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 3:30 pm.

The BPLA is commonly known as Curtis Memorial Library with all citizens of Brunswick as members. The Association will elect new Officers and members of the Board.

CELEBRATE AT CURTIS AND SUPPORT BRUNSWICK’S DOWNTOWN

Thursday, December 3rd from 5:00 - 7:30 pm the Brunswick Downtown Association (BDA) will hold its annual Silent Auction Fundraiser at the library. As a member of the BDA, Curtis is invested in doing its part to keep downtown Brunswick vibrant and active and providing a beautiful location for the auction is one great way of doing just that.

The Silent Auction showcases goods and services from Brunswick area businesses as well as many other great gifts and provides the opportunity to shop for the holidays while directly supporting and strengthening our downtown.

We will open the original Pleasant Street doors to the 1904 section of the library for the evening event to share the beauty of our historic library building.

Refreshments and hors d’oeuvres will be served with music playing through the evening.

Plan to come and enjoy a special night at the library to benefit our downtown! For more information visit the BDA on the web at www.brunswickdowntown.org. — ED

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BRUNSWICK HISTORY SERIES

William Wheeler chronicled the Town of Brunswick of the late 1800s. His observations and memories were published in the *Brunswick Record* newspaper from 1944 through 1951. Wheeler was more than a chronicler. He was a raconteur. He told Brunswick's stories from the sordid murder of Elisha Wilson in 1843 to the glories of the Brunswick High School 1894 State Baseball title.



Brunswick High School baseball champs 1894

Longtime Curtis Library users may remember our mite-ridden stuffed bird "Cock Robin". Wheeler tells that in 1892 Cock Robin and a tableau of other stuffed birds depicting the English nursery rhyme were displayed in Dr. J. H. Lombard's dentistry waiting room over Boardman's dry goods (Senter Place building). They were intended to take a patient's mind off the suffering in the next room. Anesthetics were a bit primitive in the 1890s.

The Wheeler articles are fascinating reads. They would have languished in the microfilm archives had it not been for historian Richard Snow, another Brunswick chronicler and storyteller. Snow researched and transcribed the Wheeler stories as well as nearly 300 other articles of Brunswick history.

In the coming months more of Snow's transcribed history pages will appear on the library's Brunswick History website



"They shouldda listened."
Brunswick High School on Federal Street, 1938

pages. The Wheeler stories are available online at www.curtislibrary.com/brunswickhistory.

Another fascinating story involves the ongoing history of Brunswick High School. Last month Richard Snow and Claude Bonang combined their research to present a program in the Morrell Meeting Room that traced the history from the 1700s to 1938. It was recorded in a library video called *The Road to Spring Street*.

Bonang told of the nearly finished building in 1938 on which town inspector Earl Ormsby refused to sign off. Ormsby told the engineers that they could not fire up the furnaces without blowing out the wall. Because of funding sources, he was told that he had no jurisdiction. The contractor fired up the furnaces and blew out the wall. This complicated the schedule for completion.

The Road to Spring Street is part of our Brunswick History Series and may be borrowed from our collection. — PD



Brunswick Town Hall in the 1920s
Photo courtesy of Peg and Phil Dionne

NAVIGATING A BOOK SERIES: *FIND YOUR NEXT GREAT READ!*

Library cardholders and staff are avid readers of adult fiction books in series and books that are sequels from a favorite author. Series are especially common in genre fiction, such as mysteries, historical fiction, romance, science fiction and fantasy, and Christian fiction.

A few authors give their books titles that make it easy to find the next book in the sequence. Sue Grafton's series about private investigator Kinsey Milhone has alphabet titles, beginning with *A is for Alibi* and Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum mystery series has numeric titles, beginning with *One for the Money*.

The sequence for most series is not so easy to find; authors can write the series out of sequence, throw in a prequel, publish books that are stand-alone titles in between series books, or write books in more than one series at a time. Publication dates are not always reliable because the dates for paperback editions and reprints can confuse the picture.

Readers have access to some new tools to track books in a series.

Library staff members regularly use NoveList, an online database available to all Maine residents through MARVEL!: Maine's Virtual Library at libraries.maine.edu/mainedatabases.

NoveList allows searches for authors, titles and series characters and searches will lead to lists of books in many popular series.



If you are an avid reader of series you may wish to take a look at a new reference book in the Curtis Library collection, *Sequels: An Annotated Guide to Novels in Series*. This helpful book is kept at the first floor Reference Assistant's desk.

Another terrific online resource for series readers is the Series and Sequels page on the Library Book Lists website, librarybooklists.org/fiction/adult/series.htm. This is a gem of a book website created and maintained by Mainer Molly

Williams, a library volunteer and former trustee from the Waterboro Public Library.



We recommend Library Book Lists with a word of caution; use of this website can be addictive.

Library Book Lists has links to a number of series resources including some for general readers and readers of particular genres, western fiction, inspirational fiction, science fiction and fantasy, historical fiction and alternative history series. Two well-known places to try are:

- What's Next?: Books in Series Database from Kent District Library (Michigan)
ww2.kdl.org/libcat/WhatsNextNEW.asp. Search by author, title, series, genre, adult or youth series.
- Los Angeles Public Library
www.lapl.org/resources/indexes/sequels.html. A listing of fiction books for adults which are part of a series, or are sequels to earlier novels. Search by author, title and series name or character.

Don't forget that library staff members are available to help you search. —LO



For help finding any book in the library, or at any library anywhere through interlibrary loan contact us in person at the Reference Desk (725-5242 x 510) or email refdesk@curtislibrary.com.

COMMUNITY DAY—A HUGE SUCCESS

In September, the Community Health Information Partnership (CHIP) of Curtis Memorial Library, Mid Coast Hospital and Parkview Adventist Medical Center joined with the Brunswick Fire Department and the Southern Maine Regional Resource Center to host a Community Day that focused on emergency preparedness.

You can still pick up an emergency kit list from the CHIP kiosk in the library, or a handout prepared by Hannaford Supermarkets with suggestions for healthy, safe meals during emergencies.

Other simple steps that you can take to avoid or prepare for emergencies:

- Make sure that everyone in your family knows who to call in an emergency and how to contact other family members.
- Make a plan to exit your house if there is a fire. Put visible house numbers on your home. Contact the fire department if you have questions.
- Put ICE (in case of emergency) numbers in every family cell phone – emergency responders and hospital staff use these numbers to contact family members of patients.
- Take steps to prevent and deal with pandemic and seasonal flu. Stop by the CHIP kiosk to pick up brochures about flu and a list of supplies that you should have if your health provider recommends that you or a family member deal with the flu at home. Contact your health provider or CHANS, or look at the maineflu.gov website for flu clinic information.
- Hand washing and keeping hydrated (drinking enough water) are two very important lifestyle steps that contribute to good health and can help you avoid some health emergencies.

- If you are a senior or are a caregiver for a senior, get a File of Life form to put on the refrigerator at the senior's home. The File of Life gives emergency responders basic health information, a list of medications and contact information. To get a File of Life, contact PeoplePlus, the Sagadahoc



County Board of Health or Spectrum Generations.

- If you are worried about how cold your house is in the winter and meet income guidelines, you may be eligible for help with home weatherization. Contact Habitat for Humanity/ 7 Rivers to find out about this program.
- Don't forget your pets when you are putting together an emergency preparedness kit or making plans. Coastal Humane Society and the Cumberland County Animal Rescue team can give you some tips.
- Special populations have special needs and tools. Contact the Maine Center for Deafness or Speaking Up for Us if you have hearing challenges or a family member with developmental disabilities.
- During an emergency, call 911 or the emergency numbers for your area. Dial 211 (24 hours a day) to find out who to call for help coping with violence, mental illness, chronic illness, disabilities, or if you or your family are on the edge and need assistance with clothing, food, housing and home heating.
- Water and bicycle safety are concerns in this area and the Brunswick Police Department has information to help you ride and boat safely. Don't forget to wear a helmet when biking and a life jacket while on a boat.

There are a number of organizations that recruit volunteers to help with emergencies. If you would like to volunteer, contact the American Red Cross Mid Coast Chapter, Maine Responds (Emergency Health Volunteer System), the Sagadahoc County Board of Health or the amateur radio operators of Midcoast ARES/CERT. —LO

The Reference Desk has contact information for all of the participating organizations 752-5424 x510 refdesk@curtislibrary.com.

A TO Z MAPS ONLINE—NOW AT CURTIS

Curtis Memorial Library recently began subscribing to a terrific geography database, A to Z Maps Online. It includes more than 60,000 world, country and state maps on a huge variety of topics.

There are political maps, physical maps, outline maps, population maps, climate maps, antique and historical maps, and many other thematic maps. And this dynamic map collection continues to grow from a wide array of sources.

The publishers have done a particularly nice job of gathering together maps from various U.S. government agencies including the Library of Congress, N.O.A.A., N.A.S.A. and the U.S. Geological Service. As well as maps, there are flags, glossaries, G.I.S. data files, puzzles, games, K-12 lesson plans, and general information on geographic topics (e.g. U.S. hurricane history).

There are flags for all the countries of the world, and state flags for several countries including the U.S., and they are displayed in various formats.

Students and teachers will be pleased with the “Education – Teaching Tools” section. So far there are basic lesson plans for elementary level geography classes, and more are being added regularly for other grades. In addition, there are crossword puzzles and map games to help make learning geography fun for all ages.

The maps and other materials are royalty-free and you may use them for any purpose imaginable as long as you do not resell the digital images or create products for resale from the images.

Look for the blue and green icon at the bottom left side of our home page and log in with your Curtis library card number. Have fun! —JF



Brazil has recently been selected to host the 2016 Summer Olympic Games. Can you locate Rio de Janeiro on this map outline?

THE 2010 COMMUNITY READ TITLE IS ANNOUNCED

The Midcoast Community Read committee is pleased to announce the 2010 book choice: *Glory in the Name: A Novel of the Confederate Navy* by local author James L. Nelson.

Nelson is a former professional sailor who is committed to bringing to life, through fiction and nonfiction, America’s historical connection with the sea. His writing covers a wide range of America’s maritime heritage, from piracy in Colonial Virginia to naval action in the civil war.

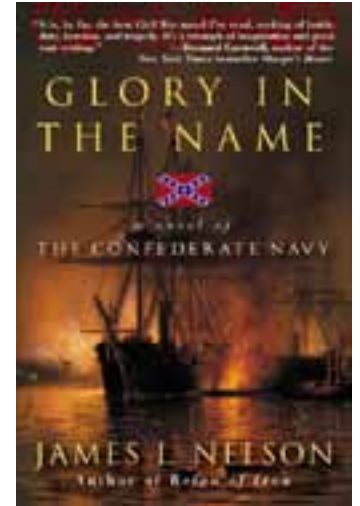
New York Times bestselling author Bernard Cornwall said of *Glory in the Name*, “It is, by far, the best Civil War novel I’ve read, reeking of battle, duty, heroism and tragedy. It is a triumph of imagination and good taut writing.”

Glory in the Name received the 2004 William Boyd Award for Excellence in Military Fiction.

Each year, books are viewed by a committee of representatives from Curtis and the libraries of Bath, Freeport and Topsham. Curtis is represented by staff member Pamela Bobker, Friends board member Mary Turner and volunteer Edie Rentz.

The committee looks for an outstanding book that appeals to readers of many ages and backgrounds, addresses themes and topics that encourage and sustain spirited discussion and lends itself to programs and activities.

We’re looking forward to this exciting Community Read! The books will be available at Curtis in early February and programs will begin in March. For more information, call the library or check www.midcoastreads.com. —PB



James Nelson is a Harpswell resident and often uses Curtis for his research. He regularly thanks library staff for their assistance in the acknowledgements in his books.

NOT-SO-HIDDEN TREASURES ON THE LIBRARY WEBSITE

Those of you that renew or request your items online have noticed that the library has a new website that was designed in concert with our new logo. But if the “My Account” page is all you’ve ever visited, we encourage you to explore a little more!

Do you want to know when the library is open or closed? See the Home page.

How do you download an audio book, or borrow museum passes? See the “How to” section.

Want to know what programs are offered and when? Visit the “Programs” section.

Or find out how to volunteer? Click the “Support Curtis” button.

Need a good book? The Readers Corner has links to several websites that you can explore to see what’s currently popular, or to get lists of what’s new at Curtis.

The new website has separate sections dedicated to books, programs, and suggested websites for children and teens.

Another whole area of the website you may not have explored is the area maintained by the reference staff, under the “Research” button. Check here for useful websites to help you if you are looking for a job, starting a small business, exploring your genealogy, looking for legal information, and much more. You can also link to online databases to help you find journal articles, learn a language, or maintain a car.

To top it all off, there is historical information about the towns of Brunswick and Harpswell and current activities. Check it out. There’s always more to learn about your community! —MD

A simple ground-breaking ceremony for the Orr’s Island Library expansion project took place on Monday, October 12. Staff and Trustees were joined by members of the planning and design team, and Harpswell Town officials.

From left to right: Harpswell Selectman Ellie Multer; Orr’s Island Librarian Joanne Rogers; Library Board President Peg Bonarrigo; and Harpswell Selectman Jim Henderson. —HM

DID YOU KNOW?

Posted on curtislibrary.com on October 26th, 2009

Did you know that on Library Snapshot Day – September 30, 2009 (JUST ONE DAY) Maine libraries:



- Welcomed 37,582 people.
- Loaned 35,849 books, movies and more.
- Helped 9,257 people to access the Internet.
- Helped 85 job seekers.
- Offered 158 programs.
- Taught 1003 people computer skills

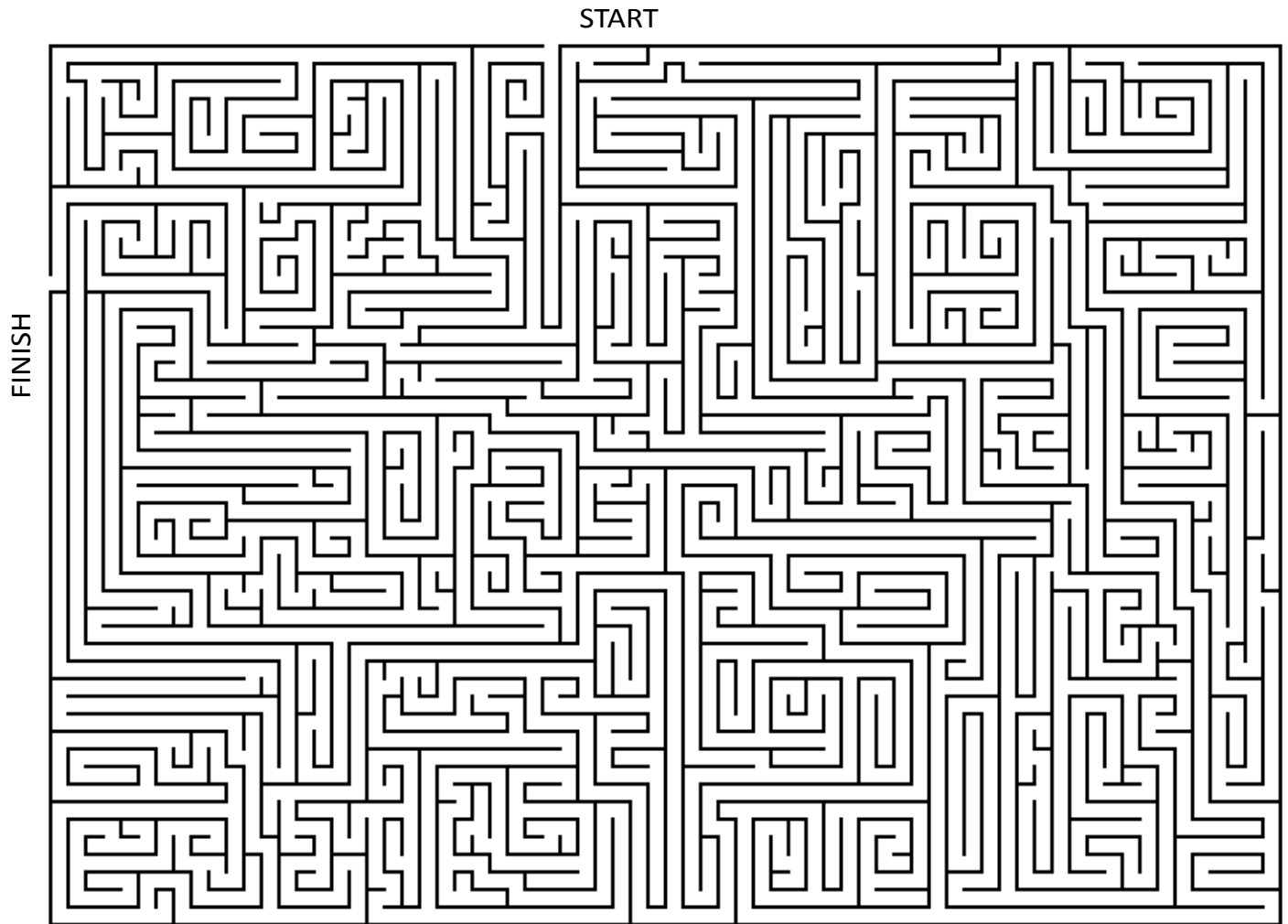
These statewide numbers include Curtis Memorial Library’s results and provide a great perspective on the importance of Maine libraries to Maine communities.

Check out the results for yourself at:
www.maine.gov/msl/snapshot/results.htm —ED

THE LATEST FROM ORR’S ISLAND LIBRARY



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WINTER WISDOM PROGRAMS SET FOR WEDNESDAYS JANUARY 6-FEBRUARY 3

Midcoast Senior College and Curtis Friends team up again this winter to offer a new round of brown bag lunch lectures. These popular sessions feature knowledgeable presenters covering an eclectic range of topics.

The lineup is still being arranged, but the dates are set. Look for details on the library website, in the lobby and at the University College in Bath.

Because it is open seating and space is limited, and we expect this year to be as popular as ever, we encourage attendees to arrive early. Each session begins promptly at 12:15 pm with seating beginning around 11:30 am.

Mark your calendar for these Wednesdays:

January 6

January 13

January 20

January 27

February 3

February 10 (snow day if needed)

The companion Longfellow Days lecture will be on February 17. —MH

SYMBOLIC MIGRATION – UNITING THE CHILDREN OF NORTH AMERICA

Cornerstones of Science is pleased to be participating in the annual Symbolic Migration program run through Journey North. In this program, students all across the United States learn about monarch butterflies and their yearly migration to overwintering grounds in Mexico. The students then make and decorate “symbolic” paper monarchs to send to Mexican school children for overwintering. Students in and around the monarch sanctuaries in Mexico keep and protect them during the winter and, come spring, send them north again for their return trip.

Here at Curtis Memorial Library, Cornerstones of Science reared and released 29 monarch butterflies this summer, with the hope that most will reach Mexico to overwinter. The monarch display and related Cornerstones of Science programs were a big hit as always, drawing in young and old alike and a new crew of monarch docents. Children were encouraged to decorate a paper monarch for the Symbolic Migration during the weeks of tagging and releasing, and we have amassed an impressive group of colorful butterflies to send to Mexico. Thank you to all who participated. Anyone interested in learning more about the program or tracking the symbolic migrations can visit Journey North’s website at <http://www.learner.org/jnorth/sm/index.html>. We will be posting information about the paper monarchs we receive this spring and where they originated. Stay tuned!

Visit www.cornerstonesofscience.org for more unique programs and citizen science opportunities. —SK & JH

SUNDAY FIRES BEGIN DEC. 6

Since the winter of 2003-2004 dedicated volunteers have lit and tended fires in the “Curtis living room” fireplace on winter Sundays.

This year’s fires will begin Sunday, December 6, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and continue into March. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the fire while reading a good book or magazine for a cozy couple of hours. —MH



NEW RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS AND CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

A wider variety of Theme Kits are now available at the library for early childhood educators and the children they serve. Each kit contains picture books, DVDs or CDs, and a toy or game that supports a particular topic. The kits may be borrowed for a two-month loan period. Some of our new kits include *Fun in the Fall*, *In My Community*, *Nursery Rhymes and Silly Songs*, *Children Around the World*, and *Manners, Please!*

Curtis Friends generously provided funding for the new purchases. Several kits with health-related themes such as nutrition, exercise, safety, healthy teeth and healthy families are also available; materials in these kits were funded by the Community Health Information Partnership.

Potential borrowers are invited to view all of the kits at our Theme Kits Display and Open House for Child Care Providers on Wednesday, January 13 between 5:00 and 7:00 pm. We'll have book raffles and refreshments, too!

Please contact Youth Services for further information. —PJ

You can reach Youth Services:
725-5242 x225 or pjenkins@curtislibrary.com

IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT...

Ten years ago, we worried about Y2K and whether the world infrastructure would break down. That scenario turned out to be as fictional as these tales about post-apocalyptic dystopias. While these are not cozy reads, Young Adults (and any recovering Young Adult) is encouraged to grab one, settle next to the wood stove and find comfort in knowing things could be very different.

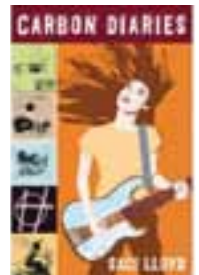
The Hunger Games and its sequel *Catching Fire* by Suzanne Collins—Each district in Panem must send one girl and one boy to the annual Hunger Games where there is only one winner - the one who survives.



The Knife of Never Letting Go and its sequel *The Ask and the Answer* by Patrick Ness—When Todd was born, a germ killed women and left men able to hear living things' thoughts all the time. Todd, now 14, finds a human girl, proving all he knows is a lie.



The Carbon Diaries 2015 by Saci Lloyd—England begins rationing carbon dioxide to slow global warming. At first this has little impact on Laura. Then times get tough as global warming heats up.



Little Brother by Cory Doctorow—A terrorist attack followed by a Homeland Security lock down turns San Francisco into a police state. Marcus uses today's technology to fight for freedom in an all too real scenario.



Life as We Knew It by Susan Pfeffer—The moon is pushed closer to Earth by an asteroid. Who knew this would wreak such havoc with the weather? —MO



NEXT CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

This year's Children's Book Sale, sponsored by Curtis Friends, will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 9:30 am to noon.

We have hundreds of books for children ages preschool to middle school. This has traditionally been a wonderful place for parents, teachers, caregivers, and children to pick up inexpensive books or perhaps do some early holiday shopping. Hardcover books, CDs, and DVDs are only \$1 and paperback books are 50¢.

We will also have Charlotte Agell, a well-known local artist, on hand from 10:00 am to noon to sketch children's portraits. Our new children's book bag sporting the Curtis Kids logo will be available for purchase during the sale.

All the money raised by this book sale benefits children's programs and projects at the library. — CS



ALL NEW CURTIS FRIENDS BOOK BAG — GOING FAST

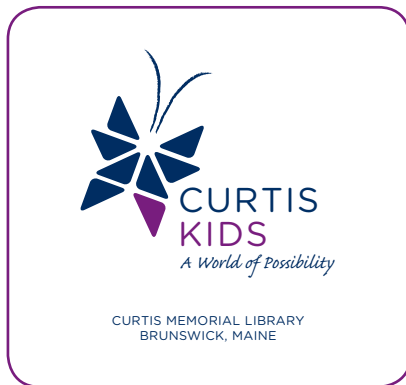
Versatile, functional, stylish, and eco-friendly, Curtis Friends now offers you its new book bag. It is made of durable but soft, heavy-duty 10 oz. organic cotton.

The unusual rope handles are easy on the hands, equally comfortable over one's shoulder and secured to the bag with strong silver-colored metal grommets. Its large gusset and generous dimensions (14"Wx14"Hx6"D) make it great for totin' your treasures around town, whether they be books, groceries or school supplies. And of course, our bag sports the new Curtis Friends logo graphic design.

We were pleased to find a fine local company to supply the new bag since we are committed to support area businesses.

The Curtis Friends bag is available to purchase at the library's circulation desk for only \$10.

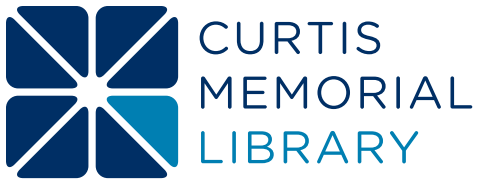
Remember, when you purchase this book bag, you are supporting Curtis Memorial Library, Curtis Friends volunteer work and ultimately our community. —SM



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Copies are available through the mail, online and in the library lobby. To request a subscription contact the library at 725-5242 x236, or register for the online version at the website, www.curtislibrary.com.

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