MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Thank you so much Pete and Sandi from Old Saco Inn for another terrific Mother’s Day fundraiser!

I invite all of you to come visit our library and see our latest exhibit on ‘Collections’. Almost anything can be collected. Bottles, buttons, boats, beanie babies, and Elvis; we have it all! Thank you to all our patrons and friends willing to share their cherished possessions with us. Susan Welchman, our in-house curator, did a marvelous job displaying each special collection.

Come see all these treasures and take part in the ‘Beanie Babies Guessing Contest’: guess how many Beanie Babies are in the aquarium. The person who guesses it right will win their own special Beanie Baby. We will announce the winner on July 1 after our Summer Reading Club Party.

Happy Solstice! 

Anna Römer

Library Annual Meeting: Thursday June 22 at 7 pm

with guest speaker Author Alex Myers

After a short ‘State of the Library’ our board president Dell Foss will present this year’s new trustees. After the vote we are very honored to have Alex Myers, author of Revolutionary, as our guest speaker

Deborah Sampson Gannett ran away from home in 1782, successfully disguised herself as a man, and fought valiantly in the Revolutionary War.

Alex Myers’s richly imagined and carefully researched debut novel, tells the story of this fierce-tempered young woman turned celebrated soldier and the remarkable courage, hope, fear, and heartbreak that shaped her odyssey during the birth of a nation.

As The Boston Globe raves, “Revolutionary succeeds on a number of levels, as a great historical-military adventure story, as an exploration of gender identity, and as a page-turning description of the fascinating life of the revolutionary Deborah Sampson.”

Alex was born and raised in Paris, Maine. After attending Phillips Exeter he became the first openly transgender student at Harvard University and worked to change the University’s nondiscrimination clause to include gender identity. Subsequent to earning a master’s degree in religion at Brown, Alex has pursued a career in teaching English at secondary schools. He completed his Master’s of Fine Arts in fiction writing at Vermont College of Fine Arts, where he began his work on Revolutionary. Alex and his wife are seasonal residents of Lovell.

Do Not Miss Our Annual ‘MEMORIAL DAY’ PLANT SALE Fundraiser

Saturday May 27, 9am -12pm Donations Very Welcome!
This month we will be discussing Alex Myers’ novel *Revolutionary*. It is based on the historical figure, Deborah Samson, who disguised herself as a man and joined the Continental Army. Our library owns five copies and there are additional copies in Minerva. In addition we have books for sale as well, just ask the desk librarian. You will have a chance to hear and meet the author on Thursday June 22 at 7 PM. Alex Myers will be the featured speaker at our annual meeting.

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**YOGA @ YOUR LIBRARY**

**Yin & Restorative Yoga**

*Mondays 5:30 - 6:45 pm*

Blend of Iyengar style and Yin style Restorative Yoga. Restorative Yoga postures help to relieve the effects of stress. Participants will be guided through a progressive series of supported postures. This class is designed for all levels of yoga experience, including beginners.

**Vinyasa Flow Yoga**

*Saturdays 8:00-9:00 am*

A great way to start the weekend! Join Kathleen for an offering of gentle to moderate vinyasa flow poses. This class will include modifications for you to practice at your own pace.

Yoga classes at our library are Brookside Yoga Studio classes doing business at the library. Kathleen offers her class by a suggested donation in order for yoga to be affordable for all while being sustainable for her business.

**Coming this summer:**

**Tai chi with Pam Katz**

Six week beginner course starting Wednesday July 5 at 10 am until August 9. For more information check our July newsletter or website.

**On Friday June 16, We Reveal the STORIES IN OUR PHOTOS**

The Charlotte Hobbs Story Swap will be meeting on its traditional third Friday this month, on Friday, June 16, from noon-1:30 pm. This will be our last gathering until the autumn.

Our theme this month is “STORIES IN OUR PHOTOS.” Do you have a photo – old or recent – that conceals (or reminds you of) a story? Perhaps a family story, or a tale of a personal experience, or a historical event that you find fascinating? Bring in that picture! We’ll have a gallery walk to imagine what lies behind the images, and then we’ll hear the stories. Come and put your name in the hat to share your memory in a 5-minute story, or just come to listen. All are welcome! Bring a brown-bag lunch if you wish; we’ll provide beverages.

**Cribbage will be back in the fall.**

Thank you to all players for your generosity.

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**Adult Book Discussion**

*Monday June 12 at 1 pm*

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**Gardening Group**

*Thursday, June 15 at 12pm*

Now that gardening weather has arrived, there’s always lots to talk about, question, and learn from others. Bring your lunch and join this group of enthusiastic gardeners. We will also have a plant swap at this meeting.

**Hobbs Community Garden News**

On June 15 at 1 pm we will be planting our community garden. We are looking for volunteers to help water, weed and harvest. Produce will go to Sweden Food Pantry and to patrons. Call Anna at 925-3177 to sign up or just show up on the 15th!

**Writing Group**

*Thursday June 8 & 22 @ 12:30 pm*

Grab your pen and writing notebook and join this group of writers. They spend each meeting sharing, free writing, and discussing ways to improve their craft. New members and summer visitors are always welcome.

**Martha’s Knitting Group:**

*Wednesdays @ 1pm*

This friendly group of fiber artists continues to meet on Wednesdays in our program room. They always welcome summer visitors and new members and are ready to help beginners and help with other problems with your current projects.

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Outdoor Farmer’s Market, every Saturday starting June 3, 9-12pm

‘Fly Away Farm’ will be selling their produce every Saturday starting on June 3rd. Organic vegetables, seedlings, herbs, eggs, honey, jam, bread and much more will be on sale. Their products are also sold on a daily basis from their stand on Old Stage Road in Lovell. If you are interested in being a vendor please call Anna Romer at 925-3177.

Family Game Night
Friday June 2, 5-7 PM

Game Night is for game lovers of all ages! We ask that children under the age of 12 be accompanied by a parent or guardian. We own many different board games but you may also bring your own. We serve free pizza and you may bring your own beverages. We will have a voluntary donation jar out for those who would like to help pay for the refreshments. If you are planning on coming please let us know by calling 925-3177 so we can make sure there is pizza for all!

First Thursday Book Chat
June 1 at 12 pm

This is the place to learn about new books here at the library, listen to books others have enjoyed, and share in the conversation. Bring your lunch and you’ll be sure to find books to add to your “must read this summer” list.

 TICK-FREE ME Challenge

Our library is partnering with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention by promoting the TICK-FREE ME Challenge 2017. Tick-Free ME is a month long challenge in July, during which participants, aged 45 or older, monitor their repellent use, use of protective clothing, tick check performance, and outdoor maintenance. The deadline to enroll is June 27, 2017. You may sign up and learn more at: http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/Tick-Free/

In order to be entered into the prize drawing, participants must complete all weekly surveys.

We will also have a program on ticks and Lyme disease later this summer.

Start-Of-Summer Celebration
Saturday, July 1, 9-12 pm

Mad Science Show starts at 10 am

This is your chance to sign up for our 2017 Summer Reading Club: Build A Better World and get free Portland Pirate tickets with your reading log, sign up for all the Lovell Rec. Programs, and last but not least: Mad Science of Maine will present their ‘Engineering a Better World’ program at 10am.

Step into the shoes of engineers in this spectacular science show designed to launch kids’ imaginations into the boundless field of engineering! Captivating demonstrations and interactive experiments will inspire them to think about how engineers design things to make the world a better place. We will build a 6-foot roman arch, launch an explosive rocket, see an intelligent robot display some pretty impressive Kung Fu and yoga moves and conduct oozing chemical reactions! Children are our future, building a better world can start with sparking their imagination and getting them excited about engineering today!

Healthy refreshments served.

Children’s Summer Programming Preview

On Friday July 7th at 10 am we will start our summer storytime with Deanna Wilson.

On Friday July 21 we will have a very special built-your-own pizza and book review party for middle school age children. The book we will discuss is ‘The Island of Beyond’. This book takes place on an island in a Maine lake. We are very excited that author Elizabeth Atkinson will join us. Books are available for free through the library. Check our July newsletter or website for more information.

Last Regular Preschool Storytime and Mousepaint will be Monday June 5.
**Brick Church for the Performing Arts**

**Schedule of Events**

**Summer 2017**

Unless noted, programs are on Thursdays at 7:30 P.M.  
Admission: $10 adult, $5 children 12 and under.  
502 Christian Hill Road, Lovell, Maine

June 2  
**Da Capo**  
Friday  
Washington Valley singers - Pop, Jazz & Broadway hits.

June 29  
**Mary Bastoni**  
Songs by women of the 20th century.

July 10-15  
**Children’s Theater Camp w/ Director Mary Bastoni**  
$10 Registration  
For more information email BCPAtheatercamp@yahoo.com.

July 13  
**Heather Masse and Jed Wilson**  
$20  
Special benefit performance featuring Jazz, Folk & Bluegrass.

July 15  
**Performance by the Children’s Theater Camp**  
Saturday, 2 P.M. Come and be entertained by the kids’ final show.

July 27  
**Dan Moore**  
Entertaining and educational piano music with a twist of humor.

August 10  
**Miss Maybelle & Slim Pickins’**  
Old Time music, for the young at heart.

August 24  
**The Bradley Jazz Collective**  
Creative interpretations of classics & original music.

September 7  
**Birds On A Wire**  
Celtic, Folk, Gospel - Jeanine Loubier, Greg & Jenny Huang - Dale

For more info, please visit lovellbrickchurch.org, our Facebook page or contact Stan Tupaj, 207-925-1500.
Natural History Programs at Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library

Please note that while all of the programs begin at 7:30pm, some occur on Tuesdays and others on Wednesdays.

July 5, 2017, 7:30pm
The Art of Preserving Land in Perpetuity: Executive Director Tom Henderson will kick off our summer talk series by explaining the art of preserving land in perpetuity.

July 12, 2017, 7:30pm
Lookin’ at Lichens: Lichens are a combination organism that occur in large numbers in Maine. Master Naturalist Jeff Pengel will share photos and discuss some of the peculiarities of lichen biology. He’ll also show specimens of many common and unique lichens.

July 18, 2017, 10am-noon
Change and Transformation Poetry Workshop: Poet Judith Steinbergh will conduct our fourth annual workshop co-sponsored by the GLLT, Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library and Hewnoaks Artist Colony. Please sign up at the library. Location: Hewnoaks Artist Colony, Route 5

July 19, 2017, 7:30pm
Native American Medicinal Plants: Kerry Hardy, author of Notes on a Lost Flute, will combine photos of native plants with a sampling of the written accounts of dozens of the earliest explorers, missionaries, historians and researchers, telling how Native Americans used the plants.

July 25, 2017, 7-8:30pm
Change and Transformation Poetry Reading: Enjoy the inspiring poems by participants of the Hewnoaks Poetry Workshop. Even if you couldn’t attend the poetry workshop, you are welcome to join us and listen, or share a poem of your own. An open mic for children and adult writers will conclude the evening. Location: Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library

July 26, 2017, 7:30pm
Maine’s Largest Woodpecker: The Pileated Woodpecker is the largest woodpecker found in the woods of North America. Join Bonny Boatman for a closer look at this magnificent bird.

August 1, 2017, 7:30pm
Mosses, Liverworts and Hornworts, Oh My! Ralph Pope will introduce mosses and their close allies, the liverworts and hornworts, with a brief discussion of how they fit into the larger scheme of biodiversity. Copies of his recent book, Mosses Liverworts and Hornworts, will be available for purchase.

August 9, 2017, 7:30pm
The Youth Among Us: Join us to listen to the GLLT interns and summer campers as they share their learning experiences about nature and the Greater Lovell Land Trust.

August 16, 2017, 7:30pm
Beekeeping in a Changing World: Local beekeeper Guy Pilla will discuss hive management and the impact of world trade on hive sustainability.

August 23, 2017, 7:30pm
Evolution of the Maine Lake Science Center: In this talk co-sponsored by the GLLT and KLWA, Dr. Ben Peierls, research director of Lakes Environmental Association’s Maine Lake Science Center, will share the journey that brought him to the Center.

Family Programs:

August 11, 2017, 1-2pm
Wild Turkeys are More than Just Big Chickens: Bonny Boatman will provide a lighthearted pictorial tour of facts and stories about this ubiquitous creature with which we share our outdoor space.

August 18, 2017, 1-2pm
Maine’s Largest Woodpecker: The pileated woodpecker is the largest woodpecker found in the woods of North America. Join Bonny Boatman for a closer look at this magnificent bird.
Start-of-Summer Celebration!
Saturday July 1, 9-12
Reading Club & Rec. Programs Sign Up and at 10 AM: Mad Science Show!
Refreshments served.

Library Hours

Open:
Monday & Thursday: 9 am - 8 pm
Wednesday & Friday: 9 am - 4 pm
Saturday: 9 am - 1 pm
Closed: Tuesday & Sunday

Visit www.hobbslibrary.org 24 hours a day to view your patron record, search the catalog, renew & request!

2017 Closed Holidays:
New Year’s Day
Independence Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day