



Gibbs Library

*Winner of the 2009 Union Area Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit of the Year
and the 2009 Governor's Service Excellence Award*

Dear Member of the Gibbs Library Community,

GIBBS LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS TO HELP REACH ITS 2010 BUDGET GOAL

Since 1993, the Gibbs Library of Washington, Maine has provided a lovely library space for everyone to relax, read a good book from our growing collection and enjoy the art collection on the walls. The library is free to anyone who wishes to join and is funded totally by donations and grants. This all-volunteer library thrives with your help and support. Thank you for your donations and your volunteerism through the years!



We hope you will join us this year in reaching our fundraising goals. We need your contributions more than ever in this economic downturn to help support this free library. Since the library is run by an all-volunteer staff, we are able to offer much more to you than most libraries of the same size. In order to continue to offer this level of service to you, we need your donations. Your contributions are an essential element in keeping this library going strong! *Your contributions, the annual Giant Garage Sale and money from grants pay for our whole budget.*

YOUR DONATIONS SUPPORT MANY PROGRAMS

Last year, your generous donations helped add to our growing collection for our lending library and helped sponsor over 60 free programs for the community. Without your generosity and support, none of this would have been possible.

Many patrons and Washington visitors stop by to use the library's computers and Wi-Fi. If you need help with learning about computers or would like to learn how to maintain yours, we have volunteers who can help, for free! *A \$25 donation would help pay for the printer ink or a \$1000 contribution would help add a new computer to the collection.* Or just come visit and use the patron computers for free. We welcome you.

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This summer, Maddy, our head librarian, will host the Maine Student Book Award Reading Program for our community middle school age children and a Summer Reading Program for the younger children. Pizza and refreshments will be served. *Your \$100 donation would help get these programs off to a good start!* The Mt. Olivet Lodge Masons will partner their *Bikes for Books* program with our reading programs for the children.

The Music & Movement program for infants, pre-schoolers and their families is taught by a trained early education teacher. I have witnessed many extremely shy young children open up, sing, dance and enthusiastically join with the group of children in activities after attending just a few of these classes. Because of your generosity, our community's children are given a very early head start to their education. It has also made the library a center for parents and young children to network in a welcoming setting. *A \$150 donation would pay for a whole six-week session! Each session usually hosts quite a number of children & families.*

Throughout the year, the library hopes to host a varied group of interesting and well-known Maine authors at the library. *Your donation of \$200 would help with this project.*

DONATION FORM IS IN THIS MAILING. ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

The General Fund supports the Library's annual operating expenses. We also have a number of other funds that support specific Library services. You can direct your donation to go into any fund using the enclosed donation form. Please send your contributions as soon as possible. *If you send your check before June, it will allow us to plan early for new programs and will enable us to order new reading materials for this year.*

The successes of the Gibbs Library have been made possible because of your support, enthusiasm and volunteerism. Thank you for all that you do for this community through your generosity to this library!

Sincerely,



Carol Sloane
Fundraising Committee
Washington Library Association



Paulette Oboyski,
Board of Trustees President
Washington Library Association

REMEMBER: WE NEED YOUR DONATION. ANY AMOUNT WILL BE A GREAT HELP!

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Our Center of the Universe

From the President



Paulette Oboyski

Last year the Gibbs Library was honored with two awards: 2009 Union Area Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit of the Year and the Maine Governor's Service

Excellence Award. Some say, if I had my way, the Gibbs Library of Washington, Maine would get the Best Small Library in the Universe Award! I have no doubt that this lovely rural library deserves raves for its level of energetic volunteerism, generous donors and enthusiastic patron participation.

The Town of Washington won the Spirit of America Award for its volunteerism in 2009. Collaboration

between volunteer groups in town is the key to our success. The Masons of Mt. Olivet Lodge are helping to boost the library children's Summer Reading Program this year with an offering of their "Bikes for Books" program. The library is partnering with the Historical Society and the 2011 Bicentennial Committee to create a calendar, a historical bicentennial book and photo art exhibits for the town's upcoming celebration.

The library's Giant Garage, Plant & Book Sale is now a blockbuster attraction and the Evening Star Grange, the Grange Farmer's Market, the Fire Department Auxiliary and Mt. Olivet Lodge all team up with the library to offer food as well as valuable treasures for visitors to our town for this occasion.

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Dedication to Paula Green

The Gibbs Library dedicates this 2010 newsletter to the memory of our long-time friend and colleague Paula Green who

passed away in March of this year. Paula served on the Gibbs Library art committee since the library first



opened. Paula had the first single person art exhibit hung on the art wall. The Giant Garage Sale crew could always count on Paula to lend a hand with pricing and she was a huge help on the day of the sale. She created our current bookplate, and generously let us use her "Mother with Child" image as the gift card for our books for babies program.

We will miss her art work, her friendship, her smile, her optimism and her spirit.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to "The Paula Green Memorial Fund for the Enhancement of Art" c/o Washington Library Association, P.O. Box 348, Washington, ME 04574.

Giant Garage and Plant Sale Fundraiser

The BIG EVENT will be held Saturday, May 22 from 9 am to 2 pm at the Washington Fire Station. This sale is the biggest fundraiser we do all year. It takes many willing hands to make this



Garage sale participants await the start of the 2009 fundraiser.

work including pricing, hauling, setup and cleanup. Please call the library and sign up to volunteer for this worthy event! We will be pricing for 2 weeks before the sale, setup starts at 6 am the day of the sale, and we will need truckers from the drop sites to the Fire Station first thing in the morning, and trucks taking the "remains" to the transfer station and Goodwill after 2 pm.

If you have items to donate, call 845-2597 or 845-2256 for drop-off or pick-up information. For plant and seedling donations please call 845-2900. We welcome anything except NO clothing and nonworking machinery.

We always have exciting stuff to
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Another Great Year for Children and Adult Programs

Children Programs

The Library continues to have numerous programs for children of all ages. Our pre-school programs include the popular Monday morning music and playtime sessions led by Joanie Dean. Tuesday mornings, a pre-school story hour is offered. In January, the annual puppet show is always a very popular event.

School age children spend five afternoons in February and March listening to the ten Maine State Chickadee books and completing related projects and games. The children come in two different age groups after school. The Grades 2 & 3 group had an average of 20 students and was led by our teen trustees Kiana Ocean and Ivy Gardner. The K & 1 group averaged about 22 students and was led by Ann Holland, a reading teacher at Prescott School. At the end of the five

The Sixth Annual Student Art Show happens during March and April. Twenty-two Prescott students have art framed and displayed for visitors of

of all ages enjoyed learning about and touching a variety of saltwater creatures. Halloween night, the library greeted Trick-or-Treaters of all ages with special guest readers, games, and treats. An open house was held for the December holidays. Families each received a wonderful children's book to take home with them as a gift from the library and a costumed Miss Barbie read to the children.

Please bring your children to the library often to sign out books from our wonderful children's collection. New books are always arriving, joining the huge selection already on our shelves.



Ann Holland reads to children during the Chickadee program in February.

Adult Programs

Adult program offerings were many and diverse in 2009, reaching out to the greater Washington community. Various informative talks were presented with subjects ranging from how to better know your computer, taught by Cheryl McKeary to stamp collecting offered by Doug Ebert. The library often partners with the Mid Coast Audubon Society. They offer various programs, many of which deal with environmental and ecological issues. Jody King taught us how to build and paint a frame drum and then gathered us together at Equinox and Solstice celebrations to drum together for peace. Sharon Turner shared her gardening expertise with us numerous times and David Spahr gave a provocative talk about his mushroom book and how to best cook them.

We always welcome your suggestions, and/or your personal expertise and are always looking for more volunteers to join our Program Committee. Please check the library's website at www.gibbslibrary.org for current program listings and pictures, stop by the library for the latest newsletter, or attend a program that interests you.

the library to enjoy. An art reception is held with the artists, their families, and friends invited to attend, along with Anne Kofler, art teacher at Prescott.

In June, students from Prescott School are bused over to the library to meet a local author and/or illustrator. This kicks off the summer reading program. Watch for more information and encourage your young readers to sign up for this year's summer program. The Masons are planning to support this summer's program and offer some



Phyllis Janto, Vic Oboyski, Cynthia White and David Allen show off the books from the Sisters in Crime presentation.

exciting prizes to get young readers reading and moving! Stay tuned!

weeks, students voted for their favorite book and the results are reported to the state Chickadee Book Program.

Last September, Herring Gut returned with its touch tank. Children

Plant Sale “Dig It Team”

The Dig It Team is looking for gardens that have perennials in need of dividing that you are willing to donate as well as volunteers to dig. All donations are sold at the Giant Plant and Garage Sale on May 22nd. We also need volunteers to raise quality flower, vegetable and herb seedlings.

We dig all the plants and bring them back to Peg Hobbs’ house for potting up.

The Saturday dig dates are:

Sat. April 17, Sat. April 25, and Sat. May 1 (this last dig date is followed by a brunch at Peg’s for the Washington Diggers.)

For those of you who need to have your perennials divided, just let us know. If the above dates are not workable for you, please just let us

know. We do a great job of taking minimal soil, but some plants require a large root ball for successful transplanting. It is important that the homeowner is home when we come to dig.

We also take any outdoor plant donations that you may have dug up yourself. We are in need of 6” or larger pots. Unfortunately houseplants do not sell, so we will not be accepting houseplants.

To join the Dig It Team or to have your perennials divided call 845-2900 and leave a message or email: gibbslibrary@hotmail.com.



Miss Barbie, aka Barbara Sager, reads to the children during story hour.

Babies First Book

In 2009 nineteen babies received the book, *Here’s a Little Poem*, collected by Jane Yolen and Andrew Peters, illustrated by Polly Dunbar. This was part of the Gibbs Library’s “Books for Babies born in Washington” program to encourage children to read early. Each book is wrapped, and comes with a bookplate bearing the child’s name. A “Mother with Child” card by Paula Green welcoming the baby accompanies each book. The library gave books to: Lea Danae Batlis, Wyatt Byron Chavanne, Abigail Stella Stark, Lucas Alexander Baker, Kaylee Ann Grierson, Carver James Rife, Avery Linwood Kunesh-Lowe, Ashton Lee Kunesh-Lowe, Ariel Etta Castner, Landon Wayne Lewis, Simon John Kutsy-Durbin, Levi Richard Wescott, Cody Lee Edgecomb, Sovie Gillian Rau, Tenzin Foster Ware, Cole James Esancy, Alyssa Grayce Merrifield, Nicholas Norman Belcher-Taylor and Miki DePalma. We look forward to having the new babies use the library as they continue to grow.

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You can find more information about these programs and others on our website: www.gibbslibrary.org, in our eNewsletter or come and visit the library and ask our friendly desk volunteers.

Special thanks to the Davis Family Foundation, the Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation, the Golden Rule Foundation, the Rose and Samuel Rudman Library Trust and the Maine Community Foundation for their recent grants.

Thank you to all our volunteers, patrons and donors for your continued generosity. Thanks to the Northeastern Maine Library District consultants Valerie Osborne and Jenny Melvin for their constant advice and attention.

Do you receive our eNewsletter?

Keep up to date on programs and special events at the library by signing up for our eNewsletter! About twice a month, we distribute an email that lists all of the exciting and fun happenings at the library—from children’s events to adults. The eNewsletter also highlights the art exhibit in our gallery space, new book arrivals and reminders of our operating hours. To sign up, just send your email address to gibbslibrary@hotmail.com. We don’t share your email and we only send information about Gibbs Library. If at any time you want to be removed from our email list, just let us know.

Garage Sale

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sell. This year we have furniture, books, household items galore, antiques, garden tools, toys, bikes, and a whole bay of the Fire Station devoted to a large variety of freshly-dug perennials and garden seedlings. There is something for everyone, especially you! Come and join us. (But, no early birds, please.)

Food is available all day. (See the calendar on page 4 for details.)



Camp Med-O-Lark is a co-ed summer camp for children ages 8-16. Founded in 1946, Med-O-Lark is situated on a pristine three-mile lake in Washington, Maine. Med-O-Lark offers an all-elective program in which campers create their own schedule from a wide array of activities such as dance, theater, music, pottery, cooking, photography, painting, horseback riding, swimming, basketball, water-skiing, tennis, soccer, archery, fencing and much more. Med-O-Lark has always been an open, diverse, non-competitive community, where young people have forged lasting friendships and realized their full potential.

2010 Washington Calendar

May

- 15 **Cleaning party at the Fire Station**
9 am-noon All hands welcome
- 22 **Grange Breakfast**
7 am - 9:30 am
Library GIANT Garage & Plant Sale
9 am - 2 pm
Fire Dept. Aux. refreshments & lunch
9 am - 2 pm
Farmer's Market at the Grange 10 am
Mt. Olivet Lodge Steak Supper
4:30 - 7:00 pm
- 28 **Downtown Gallery**
5:00-8:00 pm Opening Reception -
Aartvark Revisited

June

- 12 **Fire Dept. Public Dinner and Auction**
Dinner 4:30 to-6:30 pm, Auction 6:00
- 19 **Mt. Olivet Lodge Steak Supper**
4:30 - 7:00 pm
- 26 **Grange Supper 4:30 pm**

July

- 2 **Downtown Gallery**
5:00-8:00 pm Opening Reception -
Okay, Where's the Water?
- 10 **Ladies' Guild Strawberry Festival**
1:00 - 6:30 pm
- 17 **Mt. Olivet Lodge Steak Supper**
4:30 to 7:00 pm
- 24 **Grange Breakfast 7 am - 9:30 am**
Fire Dept. Public dinner
4:30 - 6:30 pm "Turkey With All The Fixings"



August

- 6 **Downtown Gallery**
5:00-8:00 pm Opening Reception - *Horizon Lines*
- 14 **Grange Supper 4:30 pm**
- 21 **Mt. Olivet Lodge Steak Supper**
4:30 - 7:00 pm

September

- 10 **Downtown Gallery**
5:00-8:00 pm Opening Reception -
Inspired by Matisse
- 18 **Mt. Olivet Lodge Steak Supper**
4:30 - 7:00 pm
- 25 **Grange Supper 4:30 pm**

October

- 9 **Fire Dept. Public Turkey, Casserole, and Baked Bean Dinner 4:30 - 6:30 pm**
- 30 **Mt. Olivet Lodge Hunters Breakfast**
4:30 - 8:30 am

November

- 2 **Grange Soup Supper 4:30 pm**

The creative and welcoming **Washington Handcrafters Group** meets every Thursday morning at the Gibbs Library Bryant Room.

Ray Kelly Garden Groundbreaking

Plans are set to begin breaking ground this spring, establishing the foundation of the Ray Kelly Memorial Garden. Orange-flagged stakes lay out the perimeter of the laid stone terrace on the west face of the Library. This will comprise the first phase of a larger, comprehensive landscape in the future. Labor, materials and equipment have been generously donated by Washington residents to establish a gravel bed on which to build a semi-circular terrace of local stone for gathering, sitting, standing, relaxing, conferring, reading, etc. Further hardscaping and planting beds will follow, with plans to use only locally-procured, native species of plants and types of stone.

Anyone interested in contributing labor, materials, equipment or expertise toward the Ray Kelly Memorial Garden should contact Mark Durbin at milkdripping@hotmail.com.

Medomak Camp and Retreat Center



Washington, Maine

Join us for a free orchestra event
Saturday July 24th at 2:30 PM
In the Historic Barn at Medomak Camp
For the culminating event of
the **Conductors Retreat at Medomak**

Gibbs Continues to Build Success Every Year

In 2009-2010, Gibbs Library broke its previous circulation records as the use of the library continued to grow way beyond even the fondest dreams of its founders. The circulation in April 2009, immediately following our last newsletter, was 999, our May circulation was 878, and then every succeeding month with the exception of December when we had to close for several days due to bad weather, the circulation exceeded 1,000. In July we broke our all time monthly circulation record with a total of 1,284 items. In order to maintain these vibrant and healthy circulation numbers, it is essential to keep the library stocked with current books, audios and DVD's. The



Maddy Kelly
Librarian

prices of all these items have increased since the library first opened its doors, and we continually need to raise money to meet these demands for each year's budget.

This year we were incredibly fortunate to receive a grant from the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation to support the purchase of a variety of media for the library. In the grant application we requested money to increase our collection of DVDs and audio books as these areas represent the fastest growing areas of our circulation. We also requested money to continue



to build our collection of educational college courses on CD from the Teaching Company. The first titles in this collection were purchased with money from the Ray Kelly fund which is specifically dedicated for the purchase of educational and scientific materials.

In addition to the fixed numbers, the library continues to grow in its inspirational qualities. I never cease to feel privileged to be part of the energy and inspiration of the continuing volume of volunteers who have built a library which is considered to be a jewel by the people of Washington and many of the surrounding towns. Thank you again to all who have contributed in so many ways.

Art Year 'Round at the Gibbs Gallery

The Art Committee enthusiastically continues to hang bi-monthly shows in the Gibbs Gallery. At this writing, the annual Student Show, celebrating the work of the student of Prescott Memorial, graces the walls, again wowing us with the amount of talent in the youth of Washington. Amazingly, we will hang our 125th continuous show this July-August exhibiting the recent paintings of Art Committee chairperson, Bob Richardson.



Other Washington artists that will be exhibited in 2010 are Kathy Yoder, hooked rugs, and the Washington Thursday Morning Knitters.

Of particular interest is the upcoming devotion of the space to exhibits celebrating the Washington Bicentennial. Our Bicentennial

celebration will begin this November with an exhibit co-sponsored by Gibbs and the Washington Historical Society. "Washington Then and Now," which will present historical photographs and artifacts of Washington people and places. This is a big project and will be on display for several months. Please be part of this effort if you have photos of any era in Washington.

During 2011, we plan to exhibit a student art show, a group photography show and a group painting show, all of which will focus on Washington people, places and things. The photography and painting exhibits will be open to all. We hope to cover the walls with art for each show. Painters and photographers: "On your mark...Start now." The celebration will conclude with an exhibit marking the beginning of the town's next century with "Washington Now." Artist Calls will issue within the next several months.



Chief Tom Johnston captivates everyone's attention while reading a book in the library.

Book Group

The Book Group has been meeting since August 2001. Meeting monthly, the group has read a variety of paperback books, from short story compilations to local authors to a wide selection of contemporary authors. Most recently, they read and discussed *The March* by E.L. Doctorow. In April they will read *The Farming of Bones* by Edwidge Danticat; May, *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan; and June, *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout. All are welcome. The group does not meet in July and August. For more information please call Kathy Ocean at 845-2256. Book list available.

Computers becoming popular at the library

Once again the library is fortunate to be able to offer our patrons new computers. We replaced two older computers during 2009. Two Macintosh computers and two PC computers are available for patrons during library hours. We are also planning on adding a new laptop during 2010. The Internet speed is increasing thanks to the assistance of the Maine State Library Network.

Another first for 2009 included adding a new email address [gibbslibrary@hotmail.com] to the library website. This allows patrons to send an email requesting a renewal for their books, DVDs and

audio books. You can also be added to our email list to be notified of upcoming programs.

Computer classes are always popular programs at the library. We held computer one-on-one classes during the year. In April participants learned about Google: More than just a search engine. If you have suggestions for computer classes or would like to teach a class, please give us a call.

Watch for a new and improved website coming in 2010 with more pictures, calendar events and information about the library.



Cheryl McKeary (standing) shows Liane Chapman some shortcuts for working on the computer.

Special Thanks to 2009 Library Donors

We are truly grateful for the many donations we receive throughout the year. Donations received by the library allow us to buy more books and offer additional programs and services to the community. Some of the contributors for 2009 include:

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We also thank the many people that wanted to remain anonymous plus those who have donated books, their time and in-kind donations during the year.

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WASHINGTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Become a Friend of the Gibbs Library

The Gibbs Library is dedicated to reading without any barriers. Its mission is to provide residents of Washington and the surrounding communities with materials and programs for reading, self-improvement, enjoyment and continuing education. The Gibbs Library is proud of its all volunteer staff.

To become a Friend of the Gibbs Library and make a donation to the Library's General Fund, please complete the form below and mail or drop off at the library.

In addition to the general fund, you may request your donation be specifically used for one or more of the following funds:

- **ENDOWMENT** - Provides self-sustaining income for the general operations
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- **MEMORY TREE DONATION** (see reverse side)

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WASHINGTON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Fundraising for the Gibbs Library is ongoing. Since we run the Library without money from property taxes, we are always looking for ways to pay for our service to the community.

Our biggest single event is the Annual Giant Garage Sale.

Our other important fundraising effort is the Annual Letter Appeal. We welcome any amount of donation, as it acknowledges that we are doing what you want and that you support us!

Got any other ideas that would be good for fundraising? We welcome input! Call Carol Sloane at 845-2597.

Leaves on the Memory Tree

The Gibbs Library Memory Tree is a special way of honoring a family member, marking an unusual event or recognizing a unique memory. At the same time you are putting an engraved leaf on our library's tree, you are showing your personal and financial support for the Gibbs Library, its crucial role in the education of our children, and the invaluable service it gives to our local reading community.

The suggested minimum donation is \$50.

Please choose among the following letter styles and indicate the specific style for each line:

- 1. Condensed Block (lowercase)
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If you have any questions when filling out this form, please call Maddy Kelly 845-2940 or Carol Sloane 845-2597.

Completed forms with checks made payable to the Washington Library Association can be mailed to:

Washington Library Association, PO Box 348, Washington ME 04574 -0348
or given to the librarian at the Gibbs Library desk to be put in the fundraising mailbox.

Be sure to fill out name, address and amount donated on the reverse side.

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