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# Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

January 2024 Newsletter

[www.lithgowlibrary.org](http://www.lithgowlibrary.org)

LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday:

9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. to Noon

(207)- 626 - 2415

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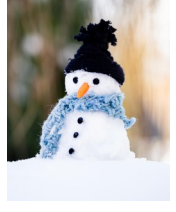
## Upcoming Library Closures:

**Monday, January 1st**

New Year's Day

**Monday, January 15th**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



## New Year New You!

Want to learn how to keep track of all the books you've read and want to read?

Join Shane and Alana as they discuss how to use both Goodreads & The Storygraph.

**Wednesday, January 3rd at 11 a.m.**

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# Puzzle Sale

**Friday,  
February 9th**  
9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday,  
February 10th**  
9 to 11:30 a.m.

Cash only, by donation.

*Proceeds go toward supporting the mission of the Friends of Lithgow Library.*

Have puzzles you would like to donate?

We will gladly accept donations of gently used puzzles for all ages.

They need to be in good condition with all pieces included.

We will accept donations between now and January 30th.

## Augusta Community Preschool



### Family Fun Night



Come out of hibernation with a good book and participate in fun activities.



**Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7 p.m.**

Snow date: January 25th



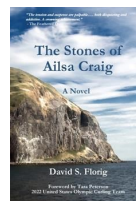
## Meet Maine Author David Florig

**Saturday, January 20th at 10 a.m.**

Snow date: Saturday, January 27 at 10 a.m.

Maine author David Florig will be at the Library to discuss his debut novel, *The Stones of Ailsa Craig*.

Books will be available for purchase and signing after his presentation.



## "Every Two Minutes: Why Pregnant People Die and How To Change It"

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*Presented by Dr. Julia McDonald*

**Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.**

Snow date: January 13th

Dr. McDonald will discuss the global crisis for women through the lens of her sexual and reproductive health work in central and eastern Africa, Latin America, and North America.

She started volunteering for **Doctors Without Borders** in 2020, and with them has worked in Ethiopia, DRC, Kenya, and CAR. In 2019, she was awarded the State's "Physician of the Year" by the Maine Academy of Family Physicians, and the Maine Medical Association honored her with the *Cushman Award for Exceptional Humanitarian Service* earlier this year.



# Food for Thought

We'll discuss food-themed books, enjoy a snack, and complete a fun, book-related activity. For children 3 to 8 (with a caregiver). For more information, contact Kate in the Youth Services department.



**Wednesday, January 3rd at 6 p.m.**

# Indian Immigration

*Presented by Jennifer Atkinson*

**Tuesday, January 23rd at 6:30 p.m.**

Indian nationals represent the second largest U.S. immigrant group today, comprising 6 percent of the foreign-born population. While settlement patterns do not highlight Maine as a hot spot for Indian nationals, signs of growth are evident. Jennifer Atkinson will describe how Indian migration to the U.S. is shaped by federal immigration law, highlight resulting population patterns and trends, and discuss this growth from a Maine perspective.

**Jennifer Atkinson** is one of a handful of Maine lawyers practicing immigration north of Portland. As an attorney at Gallagher, Villeneuve and DeGeer, PLLC in Damariscotta, Jennifer's immigration practice concentrates on family-based, citizenship, and humanitarian matters.

For more information about the Camden Conference, visit <https://www.camdenconference.org/>.



# Digital Literacy Classes

The National Digital Equity Center, a non-profit organization which provides Digital Literacy classes, is offering two classes in January which will take place in the library. **Registration is required.**



**"Cutting the Cord"**  
**Getting TV & Phone Services Over the Internet**

Friday, January 19th from 10 - 11 a.m.

**Cloud-based Backup Solutions**

Monday, January 22nd from 10 - 11 am



# Teen Gaming Hour(s)

**Monday, January 29th**

**5-7 p.m. Teen Room**

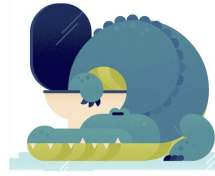


We'll have our flat screen available in the teen room, along with a PS4 console and controllers ready to play whenever you are!

Some of the titles we'll have available for play are: *Call of Duty: Modern Warfare*, *Kingdom Hearts III*, *Skyrim*, and *Diablo III*!

**Please note this program is ONLY for teens ages 13-18.**

# Tween Scene: **Urban Legends**



Does eating Pop Rocks and drinking cola cause your stomach to explode?

Did baby alligators get flushed down toilets, only to return in NY sewers?

Do you have what it takes to be a mythbuster and to tell fact from fiction as we have fun exploring some modern **Urban Legends**?

**Wednesday, January 17th at 6 p.m.**

**Registration is necessary:**

Please call: 626-2415, or email Kathy at [Lithgowtweens@gmail.com](mailto:Lithgowtweens@gmail.com)



# Preserving the Harvest:

**Making Jam from Frozen Fruit**

*Presented by Kate McCarty*

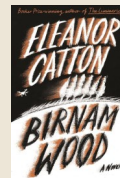
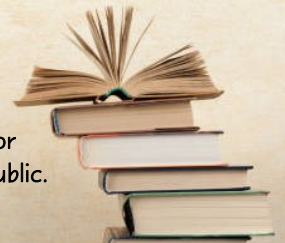
**Monday, January 29th from 2 to 4 p.m.**

Classes are free, but space is limited.

Call 626-2415 and ask for the Reference Desk to register.

# Lithgow Book Club

A monthly book discussion group for adults that is free and open to the public. Reserve your copy today!



**Birnam Wood**

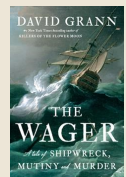
by Eleanor Catton

Wed., January 10th at 6:30 p.m.

**The Wager**

by David Grann

Wed., February 14th at 6:30 p.m.



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