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Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

September 2023 Newsletter

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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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The Library will be CLOSED on
Monday, September 4
for Labor Day .



Technology Help

Starting Tuesday, September 5

Do you need assistance using technology?

Alana is available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 2-4 p.m. by appointment only. She can assist you on one of our public computers or you can bring in your own device (laptop, tablet, phone etc.).

Appointments are 20 minutes long.

Sign up at the reference desk in-person, or over the phone, or email reference@lithgowlibrary.org with your name and the task and/or device you need assistance with.

Houseplant Swap



Looking to rehome a houseplant,
or add more to your collection?
Come to our Houseplant Swap!

Plants may be dropped off anytime that week, or the morning of the swap. Plants should be labeled and in good health! For every plant you donate, you will receive a ticket to choose a plant(s) from the other plant offerings.

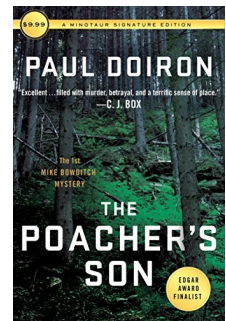
Saturday, September 16
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

A Capital Read Returns After a 6 Year Hiatus

A Capital Read is a "one book" community read project spearheaded by Lithgow Library, and sponsored by The Friends of Lithgow Library. We offer this program to:

- Deepen the appreciation for literature through reading, discussion, activities and events related to our chosen title
- Enhance the feeling of community in our diverse city, and
- Demonstrate the power of libraries to bring people together

We are pleased to announce that this year's title is "The Poacher's Son," by Paul Doiron. Paul Doiron is a best-selling author and "The Poacher's Son," his first book in the Mike Bowditch series, won the Barry Award and the Strand Critics Award and was nominated for an Edgar for Best First Novel.



Copies of the book are available to check out at Lithgow.

The author will be giving a talk on the evening of

Wednesday, September 27th, at the University of Maine at Augusta. Cocktail hour and book signing will be held in the Danforth Art Gallery at UMA from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Books will be available for purchase. Paul's talk will take place at Jewett Hall at UMA from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Registration is required. Go to the following link or scan the QR Code:

[https://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?](https://www.eventkeeper.com/code/ekform.cfm?curOrg=LITHGOW&curName=2023/09/27_An_Evening_with_Paul_Doiron)

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Other programs as part of A Capital Read:

Adult Book Group discussion of "The Poacher's Son"
Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m.

The Downeast Brass Quintet
Maine-themed concert
Monday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Both of these programs will be held in the Library's Community Meeting Room.

Lithgow Cribbage Club

Resuming
September 1!

Every Friday
1 to 4 p.m.

Enjoy a fun time with other local cribbage players at the Library. This program is free, and players of all ages and abilities are welcome. Boards, pegs and cards are provided.



Starting
September 5!



Boutique

Book Bag for Adults

Lithgow Library brings back the
Boutique Book Bag for adults.

Would you like to have a Lithgow Library staff member select some reading material for you? Each bag will contain one or two checked out library book(s) based on criteria you select. It will also include an assortment of goodies that you get to keep! Please note that this service is ONLY for adults ages 18 and over who have a library card. If you do not have a card, you can sign up for one at the Library's circulation desk. We will send you an email once your bag is ready to be picked up.

This program will run from September 5 through December 29.

**If you have any questions, please email us at:
reference@lithgowlibrary.org.**

Go to our website to fill out a form to sign up for your Boutique Book Bag. You are able to fill out this form once a month to request a new bag.



Thoughtful Thursdays Returning September 7!

Thursdays at 10 a.m.
Youth Services

Stories, songs, and fun for children ages 3 to 7 and their caregivers. Thoughtful Thursdays are all about exploring topics like identifying & managing feelings, learning techniques to focus and calm down, expressing gratitude, and many others. Sometimes we will include calming activities like sensory stations and arts & crafts.

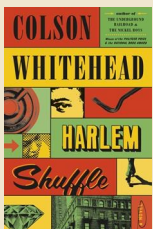
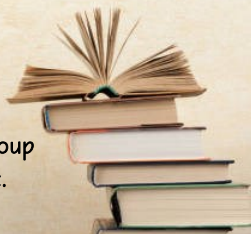
Teen Book Bags are Back!

Starting September 1st, we are bringing back our Teen Book Bags after a much needed refresh. Teens will have these swag options to choose from: *fidgety*, *self-care*, & *surprise me*, along with their favorite candy and colors (for even more swag!) Our website will have the Google form available to fill out under the Activities for Teens tab.



Lithgow Book Club

An adult monthly book discussion group that is free and open to the public. Reserve your copy today!



Harlem Shuffle

by Colson Whitehead
Wed., Oct. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

The Latecomer

by Jean Hanff Korelitz
Wed., Nov. 8 at 6:30 p.m.



Monthly Gardening 101: Seasonal Flower Arrangements

Are you creative? Do you enjoy working with flowers to create beautiful bouquets? This gardening 101 session will allow you to learn some basic flower arranging techniques using everyday blooms from gardens and fields around you. There will be a brief introduction and demonstration, and then all participants will use the time to get creative and design their own bouquet which they can take home to enjoy. We will be using flowers and greens currently in season that will be provided by the presenters. If you can, we ask that you please bring a vase or glass jar (quart size or smaller will do) to use for your bouquet.

Join Kellie Dudley, new Master Gardener volunteer and current Adult Services Lithgow Library Aide, Karen Foster and Ellen Jackson, both members of the Kennebec Valley Garden Club, as we give you tips and ideas on creating unique bouquets to display in your home.



Tuesday, Sept. 12 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Classes are free, but space is limited.
Call 626-2415 and ask for the Reference Desk to register.

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