



LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Inspire Your Imagination, Widen Your World

Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

September 2025 Newsletter

www.lithgowlibrary.org

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**
Monday, September 1st for
Labor Day.



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Now at Lithgow Library!



We are excited to share that we now offer Kanopy to our Lithgow cardholders! Kanopy is a streaming service with movies, documentaries, foreign films, classic cinema, independent films, and educational videos. You get 25 tickets per month to watch ad-free content with no wait times, all free with your library card (Kanopy Kids videos never use tickets). Go to <https://www.kanopy.com/en/lithgowpubliclibrary> or click the QR code above, then input your Library Card # and create your account.

Tween Book Group

Kids ages 10-12 are invited to join us for a book discussion and hangout each month.

Pizza will be provided!

This month, we'll be reading *Restart* by Gordon Korman. Registration is required - please register by stopping by the Children's Room or calling us at 626-2415.



Tuesday, September 9th at 6 p.m.



Quick & Easy Preserving

Presented by Kate McCarty

Monday, September 15th at 3 p.m.

Managing Serious Illness

Presented by Lissa Rockwood

Quality of life and proper care are the primary concerns of those who live with serious illnesses. Correct choices, most often made at first under difficult circumstances, are crucial to diagnose and treat symptoms, organize long term care, and give family peace of mind. Lissa Rockwood, a Nurse Educator specializing in palliative care and end-of-life health issues, will offer a comprehensive guide to navigate this journey.

Tuesday, September 16th at 1 p.m.

Lithgow Library Cart Naming Contest

Help us name the library's book carts as we celebrate

Library Card Sign-Up month!

How does the contest work?

Starting September 1st, people may submit their ideas through Facebook, Instagram, or in person at the Circulation Desk. The deadline for submissions is September 22nd. Library staff will then choose the top 10 entries, and once tallied, the carts will be labeled with their new names.

Who can enter? Anyone!

Is there a prize?

The prize is the bragging rights that come with your name being chosen.

Will I know if my name is chosen?

We will announce in October's newsletter and on socials.

We won't be giving individual credit to any chosen name.

What are the criteria for name submissions?

Please, no profanity, offensive language, political names, or anything that would violate the protections of the Maine Human Rights Act.



Panel and Community Conversation on Immigration

To help you, your neighbor, and your country.

Tuesday, September 16th at 5:30 p.m.

Panel Speakers:

Jon Godbout, executive director of the
Capital Area New Mainers Project

Lisa Parisio, an attorney with the Immigrant
Legal Advocacy Project based in Portland



7,400 Miles on Foot:

Tackling the Triple Crown of Hiking

Experience the highs and lows of long-distance hiking with Carey Kish, whose words, images, and footsteps will take us over America's Appalachian Trail, Pacific Crest Trail, and Continental Divide Trail. His journeys on this trifecta of big trails—in 2015, 2019 and 2024, respectively—earned him the "Triple Crown" of hiking.



Wednesday, September 24th at 6 p.m.



Teen Anime/Cosplay Club

Tuesday, September 2nd at 6 p.m.

Every First Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m.

Come hang out in the teen room while we watch anime, eat Japanese snacks, and create cosplays!

Registration not required.

The **Youth Services** department offers a variety of programs on a weekly basis for children and their caregivers. All weekly programming is drop-in, and newcomers are welcome.

Call or stop by the Children's Room with questions!

Mondays: Social Play, 10 a.m. – Noon.

Drop-in, self-led play. All ages.

Tuesdays: Toddler Time, 10 a.m.

Recommended for children ages 1-3 and their caregivers.

Wednesdays: Preschool Story Time, 4 p.m.

Recommended for children ages 3-5 and their caregivers.

Thursdays: Thoughtful Thursdays, 10 a.m.

Recommended for children ages 3-7 and their caregivers.

Thursdays: LEGO Time, 3-6 p.m.

Self-led. Recommended for children ages 5+ and their caregivers.

Fridays: Incredible Infants, 10 a.m.

Recommended for children up to 18 months and their caregivers.

Barks and Books

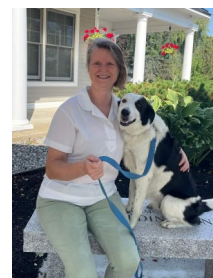
Barks and Books is a read to a dog program for children up to age 13.

Friday, September 12th at 3:15 p.m.

Each child will have 15 minutes to read aloud to a dog from a book of their choice (bring your own or use one of ours).

The dogs are trained, volunteer therapy dogs who love being read to.

There are limited time slots per program, so we encourage you to sign up in advance. To register, please contact Youth Services.



Maine's Wildlife-What to Do?

Presented by Lauren McPherson & Barbara Haney

Lauren McPherson, Wildlife Outreach Coordinator for the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and Barbara Haney, Director at Avian Haven, will present a program about Maine Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation. They will talk about the care and placement of animals that are found injured or displaced in the wild.



Tuesday, September 30th at 4 p.m.

Tween Scene: Relic Hunter

Wednesday, September 17th at 6 p.m.

Do you like adventure and archaeology?

Do you want to be the next Indiana Jones?



Join us to learn how archaeologists find clues to the past and piece together the puzzles of history. Then let's hunt for clues to lost, stolen, or hidden treasures!

For tweens ages 8 to 12.

Call 207-626-2415, email Kathy at lithgowtweens@gmail.com, or stop in the Children's Room to reserve a spot.

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).

To sign up, stop by the Children's Room or call us at 207-626-2415.

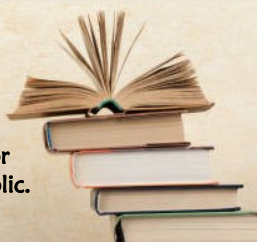
Registration is recommended.

Wednesday, October 1st at 6 p.m.



Lithgow Book Club

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



The Jackal's Mistress

by Chris Bohjalian

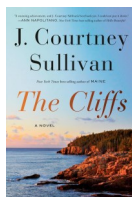
**Wednesday, September 10th
6:30 p.m.**



A Capital Read 2025



Save the date for our featured *A Capital Read* author, J. Courtney Sullivan! *The New York Times* Best-Selling author of "The Cliffs," will be in Augusta on **Thursday, October 2nd**. Join us in the Danforth Gallery at the University of Maine at Augusta's Jewett Hall at 5:30 p.m. for book sales, signing and cocktail hour. Hear Courtney speak at 6:30 p.m. at the Farber Forum across the hall. *A Capital Read* is a "one book" community read project that began in 2004. We offer it 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.



Copies of "The Cliffs" will soon be available to be checked out. A schedule of *A Capital Read* events will be forthcoming.

Click on QR code to register for Oct. 2nd event.



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