



Off the Shelf

Library News and Events

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Library Giving: Your Gift Speaks Volumes

The Library is a registered charity that relies on help from the community to provide services. There are many ways you can make a difference at your Public Library:

Annual donation to the Adopt-a-Book program

Donation in memory of someone you love or in honour of a special occasion

Make a lasting contribution by giving to the Library Legacy Book Fund

Remember the Library in your will

For more information, phone 562-3279 or email: rgillis@nssc.library.ns.ca

Make a Splash with the 2011 Summer Reading Program!!

Can you wait for summer? Well neither can we!!

This year's Summer Reading Program theme is **SPLASH! CELEBRATE SUMMER!**



So hang-ten into your local library and register for the Summer Reading Program **starting June 18th.**

Read a minimum of 8 books, or for 10 hours between June 18th and August 20th and win a cool prize!

The Summer Reading Program is for students who have finished at least Grade Primary.



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We're looking for a Storyteller-in-Residence!

Are you interested in stories and the importance they have in everyday life? Do you enjoy, or know someone who enjoys, telling stories passed down from past generations?

The Cape Breton Regional Library Board is very pleased to announce the launch of the Storyteller-in-Residence program, and is calling for applications/nominations for a Storyteller-in-Residence to be appointed in June, 2011 for a two year term.

The first in Atlantic Canada, this program will recognize and promote Cape Breton's rich storytelling heritage. While some of our stories have been reflected in print, a great deal of local knowledge continues to be transmitted orally through stories passed down from generation to generation. We see this program as an opportunity to bring these stories to a wider audience.

"The Cape Breton Regional Library is very much aware of the importance of stories to the Island community and to residents of all generations," said Faye MacDougall, Regional Librarian. "We would like to recognize the importance of this rich oral tradition, through the establishment of a Storyteller-in-Residence program."

Applications can be picked up at any Cape Breton Regional Library Branch or by emailing inssc@nssc.library.ns.ca. Nominations will also be accepted, provided the nominee has been informed and full contact information is provided. A committee comprising library and community representatives will review the applications/nominations and recommend the candidate to the Board. The Storyteller-in-Residence will participate at library and community events, and will receive an honorarium for events plus approved mileage.

The deadline for applications/nominations is **May 13, 2011.**

- Rosalie Gillis



Read-A-Thon in the Park

The Friends of the McConnell Library and the Friends of Wentworth Park are holding the fifth annual Read-A-Thon in Wentworth Park at the Bandshell, on June 18 from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.. The Read-A-Thon will be a fun day for families that includes reading together, getting out and enjoying Wentworth Park, and hearing stories from a variety of guest readers. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Participants, both children and adults, are asked to track their reading time for the two weeks prior to the Read-A-Thon and to get donations for the time they read, using a Read-A-Thon pledge sheet. Anyone who gets pledges will have an opportunity to win a Screaming Eagles signed hockey stick.

“We are very happy that the Friends group is working to improve services at the McConnell Library through a Read-A-Thon. This is always a fun day and a wonderful way to promote reading and to raise money,” said Faye MacDougall, Regional Librarian of the Cape Breton Regional Library. On June 18, the total time that everyone has read will be announced at the end of the day. The bookmobile will be on hand at the Park and the public is welcome to drop in and check it out. You can sign up for the Summer Reading Program too! If June 18 is a rainy day, the Read-A-Thon will take place at the McConnell Library. (see plant sale below too!)

All money raised will be used to improve services at the McConnell Library. Donations at the event will also be gratefully accepted. Read-A-Thon pledge sheets are available at the McConnell Library, or at www.cbri.ca/readathon. For more information call 562-3279.

- Rosalie Gillis



GRAND OPENING !

Come to the new Wilfred Oram Centennial Library in North Sydney for our Grand Opening!

Postponed until a later date.

CBRL No Scents Policy

The Cape Breton Regional Library is asking for everyone's cooperation in our efforts to provide a scent-free environment for our employees and library patrons. Scented products can trigger mild to severe reactions such as respiratory distress and headaches - please help us by not wearing/using these products when visiting library branches and bookmobiles. - Faye Macdougall



Friends of the McConnell Library Plant Sale

The Friends of McConnell Library will be holding a plant sale on Saturday, June 18 at Wentworth Park from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. There will be a wide variety of perennial plants available, just in time for planting. If you are a gardener who is dividing plants, why not donate some plants for the sale? You can bring identified perennial plants to the McConnell Library on June 16 or 17. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

- Rosalie Gillis

**The Atlantic Book Awards
are coming to the McConnell
Memorial Library!
May 17th (7pm—9pm)**

Readings by nominated authors Sheldon Currie (*Two More Solitudes*) and Daniel Doucet (*Canada's Artist in Wool*), as well as author Wanda Robson (*Sister to Courage*), and a tribute to Frank MacDonald (*A Forest for Calum*). Come meet the authors and get your book signed. Books will also be available for purchase.



At the end of April, the Cape Breton Regional Library said goodbye to Nick Warren, Assistant Librarian for the McConnell branch. During his time with the library, Nick was involved with many different programs, including the Men's Book Club and Teen Games Night. His work with OverDrive training (for both the public and staff alike) and with the development of the CBRL website has been extensive, and greatly appreciated. We wish Nick the best of luck with future endeavours, and with his travels as he moves on with the next "chapter" of his life.

Pictured at left:
Nick Warren
(Assistant Librarian) and
Faye MacDougall
(Regional Librarian) at
Nick's 'Going Away' Dinner

Movies for Mother's Day

- The Incredibles
- Little Women
- Mommie Dearest
- Juno
- Finding Neverland

Movies for Father's Day

- Mrs. Doubtfire
- National Lampoon's Vacation
- About a Boy
- The Godfather
- Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade

All these movies and more are available at CBRL. Phone your branch or visit www.cbri.ca for more info!

Libraries and Teachers: Working Together

A Grade Five teacher at Baddeck Academy has been using the Cape Breton Regional Library to support a Reading Buddies program at her school. Angie Harvie coordinates the program, which matches her Grade Five students with pupils in Grade One for half an hour per cycle of shared reading.

Ms. Harvie chooses a different children's author each time, which allows her to focus on the author's writing and illustration style. "I find it's a more structured approach than just allowing the students to pick any book," Ms. Harvie says. "They really enjoy it." Each session includes a mini-lesson about the author, a reading by the teacher, and shared reading among the students. Recent authors have included Frank Asch, Barbara Reid, Eric Carle, and Leo Lionni.

This creative teacher gathers books from her classroom and school library, then uses Cape Breton Regional Library's online catalogue to order additional materials. The books she chooses are sent to the Baddeck Branch, where she picks them up. The turnaround time is generally quite fast - under a week for most materials - so she's able to get books quickly and conveniently.

The Cape Breton Regional Library can support your classroom in many ways, from our online catalogue and databases, to class visits and outreach activities. Contact your nearest branch to find out how we can help you!

- Kate Oland

**Cape Breton Regional
Library Board
Annual General Meeting
June 20, 2011 - 7:00pm**



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Branch Closures

Davis Day:

The Following Branches
are Closed on **June 11,**
2011 for Davis Day:

Dominion, Donkin,
Florence, Glace Bay,
New Waterford,
Reserve, Sydney
Mines

**All Branches
will be Closed
for Victoria Day,
May 23, 2011**

Cape Breton Regional Library

Branch Hours

BADDECK

526 Chebucto St. – Phone 295-2055

e-mail: baddeck@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues: 12 - 5, 6 - 8
Wed: 12 - 5, 6 - 8
Thurs: 12 - 5, 6 - 8
Fri: 10 - 5
Sat: 10 - 5

DOMINION

78 Commercial St. – Phone 849-3590

e-mail: dominion@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon & Tues: 1 - 5:30, 6:30 - 8:30
Wed: 1 - 5:30
Thurs: 10 - 12, 1 - 5:30, 6:30 - 8:30
Fri: 10 - 12, 1 - 5:30
Sat: 10 - 12, 1 - 5:30

DONKIN (Elementary School)

81 Centre Ave – Phone 737-1154

e-mail: donkin@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon & Tues: 2:30 - 5:30
Wed & Thurs: 2:30 - 5:00 & 6:00 - 8
Fri: 2:30 - 5:00

FLORENCE

676 Bras d'Or Florence Rd – Phone 736-7583

e-mail: florence@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues: 1-5, 6-8
Wed & Fri: 1 - 5
Thurs: 1 - 5, 6 - 8
Fri: 1 - 5
Sat: 10 - 1

GLACE BAY

121 Union St. – Phone 849-8657

e-mail: glacebay@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon: 2 - 9
Tues - Fri: 10 - 9
Sat: 10 - 5:30

INGONISH

(Victoria North Regional Branch)

36243 Cabot Trail, Ingonish – Phone 285-2544

e-mail: ingonish@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues - Thurs: 12 - 5, 6 - 8
Fri: 9 - 12, 1 - 5
Sat: 10 - 12, 1 - 5

LOUISBOURG (W.W. Lewis Memorial)

10 Upper Warren St. – Phone 733-3608

e-mail: louisbou@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues & Thurs 2 - 5, 6-8
Wed & Sat: 2 - 5
Fri: 10 -11:30, 2 - 5:30

MAIN-A-DIEU

2886 Louisbourg Main-a-Dieu Road

Phone 733-5708

e-mail: mainadie@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues: 11-3
Wed: 6-8
Thurs: 1-5, 6-8
Sat: 2 - 5

NEW WATERFORD

3390 Plummer Ave - Phone 862-2892

e-mail: newwater@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon: 1:30 - 5:30, 7 - 9
Tues - Thurs: 10 - 9
Fri: 10 - 7
Sat: 10 - 5:30

NORTH SYDNEY (Wilfred Oram Centennial)

309 Commercial St - Phone 794-3272

e-mail: northsyd@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon: 1:30 - 5:30, 7 - 9
Tues - Thurs: 10 - 9
Fri: 10 - 7
Sat: 10 - 5:30

RESERVE MINES (Tompkins Memorial)

2249 Sydney Road – Phone 849-6685

e-mail: reservem@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon - Tues & Fri: 2 - 5:30
Wed - Thurs: 2 - 5:30, 6:30 - 8:30

SYDNEY (James McConnell Library)

50 Falmouth St – Phone 562-3161

e-mail: mcconne@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 10 - 9
Sat: 10 - 5:30

SYDNEY MINES (Martha Hollett Memorial)

1 Fraser Ave – Phone 736-3219

e-mail: sydneymi@nssc.library.ns.ca

Hours: Mon: 1:30 - 5:30, 7 - 9
Tues, Wed, Thurs: 10-5:30, 7 - 9
Fri: 10-5:30
Sat: 10-12, 1-5:30

- BOOKMOBILES -

CAPE BRETON COUNTY BOOKMOBILE

Headquarters: 50 Falmouth St. Sydney
Phone: 562-3279

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