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## NOVEMBER 2017



**Veterans Day** honors the men and women who serve and have served in the United States Armed Services. It is celebrated on November 11th, the same day the Armistice was signed in 1918, commemorating the end of the fighting in World War I.

As a way to honor our veterans, we'll have annual interactive Veterans Day display in the Children's Room, during the week of Nov 6. Please come by to write the name of a veteran on our Place Card and add it to our large Remembrance Table.

✚ **THANKFUL TREE...**When you visit the Children's Room, this month, pick up one of our paper leaves, write down what you're thankful for on it & add it to our big *Thankful Tree* for all to see 😊



### WE'RE CELEBRATING DAHLOV'S 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY!

Join us **Wednesday, November 15, 4-5:00pm**, to create a painted replica of her marvelous mural.

(ages 6 & up, wear paint clothes, Ice Cream Social to follow)

Dahlov Ipcar (November 12, 1917-February 10, 2017)

was an American painter, illustrator and author. She was best known for her colorful, kaleidoscopic-styled paintings featuring animals – primarily in either farm or wild settings. Her very first mural was painted in 1978, in our Children's Room.





Violin concert, *Play What You Want*, concert in the Children's Room, **Saturday, Nov 11, 2-3:00pm**. Students of violin teacher, Susan Krongold <http://www.playsingplay.com/> will pick their own pieces to perform, always a great learning experience, and after the concert, the audience will have the

opportunity to give the violin a try. Cookies will be provided.

**CHESS CLUB, Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm**, ages 6-11, with high school student, Lucas Blaiklock, our awesome Chess Leader. We supply the chess sets, too!

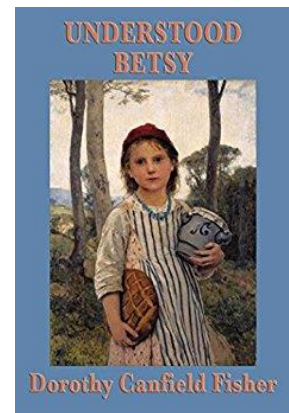


**LEGOs, Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm**, ages 6 & up, with Hyde School students. If you're a great Lego builder, or a first timer, this is the place for you. We supply heaps of Legos while kids provide the imagination. At the end of each session, you may add your creation to our special display case for the world to see! We don't want you to lose your favorite pieces. If you have any Legos to spare, please consider donating them to the library Lego Club.

**Create ~ Socialize ~ Explore!**

***Saturday Book Club with Katy Whitman,***

**November 11, 10:30-11:30am**, ages 8-11. We're reading *Understood Betsy* by Dorothy Canfield Fisher. *Timid and small for her age, nine-year-old Elizabeth Ann discovers her own abilities and gains a new perception of the world around her when she goes to live with relatives on a farm in Vermont.*



- ✓ Guest Reader **Tuesdays**, 10:30-10:50am, all ages
- ✓ Book Babies **Wednesdays**, 10:30-10:50am, babies & toddlers
- ✓ Two & Three Year Olds **Thursdays**, 10:30-11:00am, story/craft/singing

# PARENT TALK SERIES

**Fridays, 10:30am-11:30am**...Join us in collaboration with Midcoast Maine Community Action's Families CAN and G.E.A.R. Parent Network (Gaining Empowerment Allows Results). Educators will present the following *Parent Talk Series*, a parent support and quiet play group concept, to be held for parents with or without their children, in the Storytime Room. Attend all or one.

## CHECK OUT MORE THAN JUST BOOKS...



✓ Our American Girl dolls, **Kaya** (1764) with her mare, Steps High; **Caroline Abbott** (1812); **Addy Walker** (1864); **Samantha Parkington** (1904); **Rebecca Rubin** (1914); **Molly McIntire** (1944); **Mary Ellen Larkin** (1954) are waiting to go home with you for a week. Please ask us about borrowing them.



✓ We're very glad to offer two **circulating language backpacks** from Dino Lingo for learning French and Spanish. Dino Lingo is an interactive language learning program for children. Fueled by your child's imagination, learning a new language through our immersive teaching techniques has never been easier. Dino Lingo incorporates play and storytelling into their language learning programs; this method encourages your child to start speaking it almost immediately!



✓ The Children's Room is happy to offer, our patrons, circulating **My Own Backyard (MOBY) backpacks** and **book bags**, themed tools for youth exploration of local natural history. This is made possible by a grant from the Merrymeeting Bay Trust, promoting the understanding, awareness, and study of the natural environment surrounding Merrymeeting Bay. The book bags and backpacks may circulate (with a PFL card in good standing) one book bag and one backpack per family, for three weeks with no reserves. Adult supervision is required, especially with the rock hammer. Review the inventory list before circulation and to return the items to the Children's Room on time, for others to use. **Backpacks and Book Bags subjects:** River to Sea (Estuarine environment); Woodland Adventures (Forests & vernal ponds); Fields and Meadows; Seashore and Salt Marsh; Ponds and Wetlands; Rocks, Minerals, and Geology; Nature at Night.



## Daring Girls Group

**Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm...** Dori Brillard, Children's Room staff member, runs a weekly gathering for girls ages 9 to 11. The goal is to provide a safe and welcoming space for girls to connect with each other, get in touch with their dreams and creativity, and explore common themes that come up during those formative years. As leader, Dori will be using tools such as arts and crafts, journal writing, open discussion, and light exploration of poetry and language. The group meets in the Children's Reading Room. Limit of ten girls, sign-up required. **This program is currently full.**



## SEARCHING SCIENCE

Look forward to our new **Searching Science** program for elementary school aged kids, each month with real science tools and real scientists... January is **Astronomy**; February is **Winter Woodlands**; and March is **Marine Life**. Hands-on focus trunks provided by *Cornerstones of Science*. If you're a scientist and would like to volunteer your teaching time to this exciting and needed program, kindly contact Carol in the Children's Room.



Did you know? We have passes to the **Children's Museum of Maine** in Portland. <http://www.childrensmuseumofme.org/> Contact us for more information and to make your reservation.

Check out the **Patten Free Library Bookstore** at 194 Front Street! It has shelves of children's books at excellent prices. All books are gently used book donations to the Library and the proceeds benefit the Library.



