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For Immediate Release

Ahoy Mateys – Come Along for An Adventurous Quest at the Library

The Ellsworth Public Library hosts a Special Treasure Hunt for Autumn Gold

Ellsworth, Maine – The Ellsworth Public Library invites families to stop by on Saturday, September 28, between 9 AM and 11 AM for a special treasure hunt in observance of Autumn Gold. Interested families can stop at the circulation desk to pick up a copy of a free map and explore the library grounds to find their pirate treasure! This is a rain-or-shine event.

Autumn Gold is Ellsworth's fall celebration organized by the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce and runs from Thursday, September 26 – Sunday, September 29. The 2024 theme is "It's a Pirate's Life for Me." which alludes to the notion that not all treasure is material.



From left to right: Jean Pauly (Youth Services Programmer), Aimee Barnes (Circulation Assistant), Sarah Lesko (Library Director); front: Renee McManus (Assistant Library Director)

Download a high-resolution version here.

For more information on the treasure hunt please visit the event page:

ellsworth.libcal.com/calendar/20223/treasure-hunt-autumn-gold

Treasure of Literacy - Reading Initiatives at the Library this Fall:

Reading Dragons & Friends (Grades K – 12) | starts October 5, 2024

Join the Ellsworth Public Library for its special Reading Dragons Kick-Off event on Saturday, October 5 at 2 PM. Reading Dragon Cards are collectible and playable. They feature mythical creatures like dragons, unicorns, griffins, and more. This interactive program is a fantastic way to build positive reading habits. For every 30 minutes read, kids will receive a Dragon (or magical creature) card.

Ellsworth Public Library 20 State Street, 04605 Ellsworth Maine 207-667-6363 www.ellsworthlibrary.net Hours: Mon, Tues, Fri: 9 AM – 5 PM Wed, Thurs: 9 AM – 6 PM Sat: 9 AM – 2 PM



Fall into Literacy – Reading Challenge (ages 2 – 5) | September 21 – December 21, 2024

The Ellsworth Public Library is excited to announce a new fall reading initiative for young children and their families. This season, the team of librarians has carefully selected 50 categories of books to enjoy with your little ones. Starting September 21, parents can pick up the accompanying booklet at the library. The library invites participants to read 25 books by December 21 to earn a special prize.

The purpose of Fall into Literacy is to get creative and have fun with your very own approach to reading. Families will engage in the five Early Literacy Practices: singing, talking, reading, writing, and playing. This program is a wonderful opportunity to explore a variety of seasonal books while discovering the library's collection, catalog, and different genres overall.

Books & More: Book Club for Emerging Readers (Grades K – 2) | October 7 – November 25, 2024

Youth Services Programmer Jean Pauly is launching a new book club on Monday afternoons at 3:15 PM starting October 7, 2024. The Book Club will run until November 25 (except October 14 and November 11). Each week there will be a read-aloud of the books that were chosen by the Book Club Members. The Kids have the option to have their own copy of the book to follow along if they want. Each session will wrap up with different activities like games, crafts, songs or a discussion about the book.

An Ellsworth Public Library Card opens the door to a collection of more than 46,000 in-house items including books, large print books, audiobooks, movies, music CDs, and a growing Library of Things. Patrons have access to 50 print publications, streaming and download services. The New York Times is available to patrons on public access computers or any personal device. Additionally, patrons can request books through statewide Interlibrary loan services and reserve free passes to many renowned Down East museums. All library programs are free and open to all. Through a partnership with the Ellsworth American, anyone using the library's Wi-Fi connection is granted free access to ellsworthamerican.com. www.ellsworthlibrary.net

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