



Monson Free Library

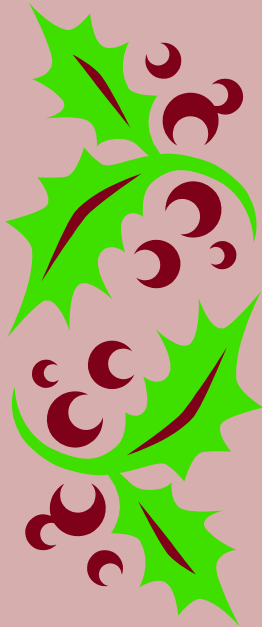
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## December 2010 E-Newsletter



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# 1st Annual Gingerbread House Contest

We're having our 1st Annual Gingerbread House Contest!

Round up your friends, family, committee members and scout troops and make a masterpiece!

All entries, including our grand entry by professional baker Susanne Gendron, to be auctioned off at our Gala Gingerbread Event on December 21st from 5:30-7:30 pm. Join us for stories, crafts and the judging of the entries.



Houses will be on display from Dec. 14th - 21st.

[Click here to download an entry form from our website!](#)

## Holiday Story Time with Senator Brewer

Friday, December 17 at 3:30 pm



Join Senator Stephen Brewer for our annual Holiday Story Time in our new Children's Room! Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library.

The Library will be open until 5:00 pm.

*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."* -Dr. Seuss

*The Children's Room is now in the former Reading Room (where the fish tank is!)*

*We've been so busy moving (and moving and moving) all the materials around and everything is almost all settled.*

*Come in and take a look!*



# Children's Programs

## Infant Sign Language

Saturday, Dec. 11 from 10:30 am—noon

Parents and caregivers of infants are invited to a class to learn the basics of infant sign language with trainer Sheryl White. There are still several places available, please call the Library at 267-3866 to sign-up.

## Story Hour

Every Wednesday morning from 10:30—11:30 am

Join the Friends of the Library for stories, crafts and songs! No registration necessary.



## Vacation Week Programs

Family Movie Night

Tuesday, December 28 at 6 pm

We're showing Despicable Me on the big screen! Popcorn and water will be provided by the Friends of the Library. Kids are welcome to come in their pajamas and to bring pillows and blankets to soften up the floor if they want! Movie is rated PG and is 95 minutes long.

Pajama Storytime

Thursday, December 30 at 6:30 pm

Join us for an evening storytime! We'll be reading some New Year's stories, doing crafts and maybe even making some resolutions! Kids are welcome to come in their pajamas!

# Adult Programs



## Appetite For Art      Wednesday, Dec. 15 at noon

Would you like to learn about art? There are no wrong answers, we just like to sit around and talk about art! No experience necessary. This month we will be discussing the art of Charles Burchfield. Bring a brown bag lunch and your enthusiasm! We will provide coffee and tea. This program is free! Call the Library for more info at 267-3866.

## Holiday Card Workshop      Thursday, Dec. 2 at 6:30 pm

Join us for a fun evening creating hand-crafted cards and gift tags. Sign-up is requested so we know how much material to prepare.

## Scrabble      Wednesday, Dec. 28 6-8 pm

Join us on the 4th Tuesday of every month for a friendly game of Scrabble! Everyone is always welcome.

## Help Wanted

The Library is in need of a few good handy-people to help us take care of some chores. If you have a little free time and are good with tools please stop in anytime we're open and offer to lend a hand, we'd really appreciate it!

The Library is looking for a Circulation Assistant, please see our website for complete details.

## Library Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	2 pm—8 pm
Wednesday	10 am—6 pm
Thursday	2 pm—8 pm
Friday	10 am—2 pm
Saturday	10 am—2pm
Sunday	Closed

## Holiday Hours

December 24	Closed
December 25	Closed
December 31	10-2:00
January 1	Closed



## Friends of the Library

We would like to thank the many people who contributed handmade items to sell at the Friends of the Library booth at the Holiday Craft Fair this past weekend. A special thanks goes to Virginia Midyette, Barbara Beaulieu and Pathfinder Regional School, you are wonderful! These beautiful items, including a quilt, a watercolor painting and a cribbage board, will continue to be raffled off at the Library. We will draw the winners on Friday, December 17th when Senator Brewer is here for his annual reading of holiday stories!

## Food For Fines

Food for Fines is off to a great start!  
We collected several bins of food during November.

Throughout December the Monson Free Library will continue to accept non-perishable items in lieu of fines. For each item donated, you will be credited for up to \$1.00 in fines. Credits can not be applied towards billed items.

Donated items will be given to Open Pantry

The Monson Free Library is not accepting material donations at this time—we're all out of room!