Maine Author Event  
Norway Memorial Library welcomes  
Carolyn Chute  
Saturday, March 21  
3:30-5:00 pm

Carolyn Chute will visit Norway Memorial Library to read from and discuss her newest book, *The Recipe for Revolution* (Grove Press, 2020). In *The Recipe for Revolution* Chute portrays politics, social change, class, love, and friendship with acuity and complexity, giving readers a relevant book for today’s America.

Carolyn Chute is the national best-selling author of seven books, including *Treat Us Like Dogs and We Will Become Wolves; The School on Heart’s Content Road*, a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year; *The Beans of Egypt, Maine; Letourneau’s Used Auto Parts; Snow Man;* and *Merry Men*. She has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, the PEN New England Award for Literary Excellence in Fiction, and a Thornton Wilder Fellowship.

Books will be available for purchase at the event by The Tribune Books & Gifts, Norway’s independent bookstore.

This program is free and open to the public. A snow date is scheduled for Saturday, March 28.

**Winter Book Bingo**

Find a comfortable spot, a warm blanket, and a good book to read. To play winter book bingo, pick up a bingo card and at the information desk and start reading to fill in squares. Read books that correspond to subjects in each square. Get all books in a horizontal, vertical, diagonal, or blackout pattern before March 18 and enter your card into a drawing for a prize.

**DNA and Genealogy**

**with B.J. Jamieson**

Thursday, February 20, 6:30-8:00 pm  
Snow date Thursday, March 5

DNA tests are becoming commonplace. Have you wondered what test you should take? What do the results mean? How can you use them to connect with family? Maine State Library genealogy reference specialist, B.J. Jamieson will discuss the answers to these and other audience questions.

The Digital Maine Library provides every resident of Maine with access to online resources that include a collection of full text articles and abstracts from magazines, newspapers, journals and reference books. It provides students, business people, public library patrons, and higher education students and educators the ability to use online learning tools. Use the link on NML’s website or go to https://library.digitalmaine.org to find Digital Maine Library. Please stop by the information desk if you have questions about these valuable resources.

**Celebrate National Library Week**

*Find Your Place at the Library*  
April 19-25, 2020
All book clubs are open to the public. Bring your own coffee or tea. If you would like to request copies of the books you may do so through the Minerva online catalog or by stopping by the library’s information desk.

Nonfiction Fridays
1st Friday of the month
3:00-4:30 pm

February 7: *American Fire: Love, Arson, and Life in a Vanishing Land* by Monica Hesse
March 6: *Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir* by Ruth Reichl
April 3: *The Feather Thief: Beauty, Obsession, and the Natural History Heist of the Century* by Kirk Wallace Johnson

Books in the Afternoon
Thursdays 3:00-4:30 pm
2nd Thursday of the month

February 13: *Ellie and the Harpmaker* by Hazel Prior
March 12: *The Warehouse* by Rob Hart
April 9: *The Secrets We Kept* by Lara Prescott
May 14: *Black is the Body: Stories from My Grandmother’s Time, My Mother’s Time, and Mine* by Emily Bernard
June 11: *Southern Lady Code* by Helen Ellis

Morning Book Club
Tuesdays at 9:00 am

February 18: *Olive, Again* by Elizabeth Strout
March 17: *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
April 21: *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
May 19: *We Took to the Woods* by Louise Dickinson Rich
June 16: *Beloved* by Toni Morrison

Powerful Reads:
Discussing Books with Heart and Mind
2nd Saturday of the month
10:30-12:00 pm
Facilitated by Susan Kane

March 14: *The Power of Intention* by Wayne Dyer
(snow date March 21)
May 9: *The Power of Now* by Eckhart Tolle

Yoga to Beat Winter Doldrums
Tuesday, February 11, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
(Tuesday, Feb. 25, snow date)
Kat Larsen, yoga teacher and certified yoga therapist, will hold a *Yoga to Beat the Winter Doldrums* promoting wellbeing. Participants will learn yoga practices that help to boost mood, energy, and invite upliftment to beat the winter doldrums. Larsen will focus on poses led from a chair and standing poses creating a class accessible for all. This is a good opportunity to battle the winter blues. You will need to wear comfortable clothes, bring a water bottle, and mat with you. Please call the information desk at 743-5309 ext. 1 to register as class size is limited.

The Great Turn-Out:
Factory Girls and Maine’s First Labor Strike
a talk by University of New England history professor Dr. Elizabeth DeWolfe
Thursday, March 26
6:30-8:00 pm
(Thursday, April 2, snow date)
In 1841, nearly 500 female factory workers walked out of Saco’s York Manufacturing Company and paraded up Main Street, chanting and singing. They gathered in a local church, formed a committee, and sent the factory owner a document articulating their complaints about wages, housing, and paternalistic rules. This illustrated talk will examine the tense days that followed and show how a strike in one Maine town connected to national agitation for women’s rights, including suffrage.

Fraud & Scams
Thursday, April 16
(Thursday, April 23, snow date)
6:30-8:00 pm
at Norway Memorial Library
Val Cole, instructor from Seniors Plus, will present an informative workshop that will give you the information needed to determine what is real and what a scam is. What does fraud look like? What are the latest scams out there? How do you recognize fraud? Find out what you can do to protect yourself and where you go to report things so others don’t become the next victim. To register, call Seniors Plus directly at 207-795-4010.

Cribbage Afternoons
Mondays, 1:00-3:30 pm
All skill levels welcome! This ongoing program is hosted by the Friends of NML. Free and open to the public
Children’s Department

**Weekly Programs for pre-school children**
- **Tuesday:** 10:30-12:00 am
  - Stay & Play for ages 0-5
- **Wednesday:** 10:30 am
  - Terrific Tales for ages 2-5
- **Friday:** 10:30 am
  - Music & Movement for ages 1-5

Celebrate **World Read Aloud Day** with us on **Wednesday, February 5, 2020**

- **Everyone should have the chance to share stories**
  - At 10:30 am during story time, Annika will read the picture book *Sweety* by Andrea Zuill.
  - All day children and their families can make paper bag reading crowns in the children’s room craft area.
  - Find a spot to get comfortable and read aloud to each other!

For more information about World Read Aloud Day, visit: [https://www.litworld.org/worldreadaloudday](https://www.litworld.org/worldreadaloudday)

April Vacation Week Fun

**We need your help to Solve the Case!**

Mystery detective party game for kids! Someone stole the party goodies and five tricksters are the suspects. It’s the players’ job to determine who the real culprit is.

Use your powers of observation and problem-solving skills to solve challenges (word, shape, and thinking puzzles). Players will discover the truth, reveal the culprit, and solve the mystery!

Suitable for kids age 7-12. Call 743-5309 ext. 4 to register!

Teen Room

**Teen Room Hours:**
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
- after school until 5:00 pm

Teen Room Coordinator:
- Sarah Bean Dailey

The NML Teen Room (in the library’s multi-purpose room) is available for all teens as a safe place to hang out with friends, relax, game, do homework, craft, listen to music, read, and to be yourself.

Feel free to bring a snack or drink. The library has Wi-Fi, so bring your laptop or other devices and enjoy online gaming, YouTube videos, Skype, texting, and tweeting. Want some “off screen” time? Play a board game!

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

Are you interested in design, decorating, improving space to make it more comfortable, useful, and welcoming? We need your skills and input to help us plan a re-design of the library’s teen room. Talk to Sarah about your ideas ASAP!

TEENS! Help to set the scene for the children’s mystery detective party game at the library during April vacation. Check in with Sarah in the Teen Room to see how you can be a part of this fun school vacation activity for kids. Earn community service hours and have fun at the same time!
2020 is Maine’s bicentennial year of statehood. There will be events and activities statewide to celebrate and acknowledge this point in our state’s history. Stay tuned for more information about programming at Norway Memorial Library and other organizations in the Oxford Hills.

Next time you visit the library:
Sign up to receive the library’s monthly calendar of events by email. All we need is your current email address.

For convenience, opt in to receive text messages about your library record. You’ll receive texts when items you request arrive and when items will soon be due. You can do this by logging in to your patron record in Minerva. Ask staff at the library’s information desk for assistance.

Opt in to save your reading history. If you choose, you will be able to store a record of items you borrow.

Friends of the Norway Memorial Library 2019 Quilt Raffle Winner

Congratulations to Reed Tinsley who won the 2019 Friends of NML Quilt Raffle. Reed decided to gift it to his sister Sienna who is pursuing her Master of Library Science degree. Thank you to all who purchased tickets to support the Friends of Norway Memorial Library. The Friends of the library use the funds raised to purchase audio-visual materials and equipment, fund programs, performers, and presentations, and to publish three newsletters each year.

For information about the library and its programs and services, access to the Minerva online catalog, Digital Maine Library, and Cloud Library, visit Norway Memorial Library’s website at

http://www.norway.lib.me.us