

October Displays: October is Adopt-a-Dog Month so please enjoy the display on dog fiction and nonfiction. October is also the month we feel how lucky we are to live in New England with the comfortable weather and the beautiful foliage. Therefore, we have a display on fiction, non-fiction, and films set in New England. We also have a display of new fiction so when you stop in check out some new books! Our two glass case displays feature a bird display generously loaned to us by Ann Siekman and a display of Inuit sculptures generously loaned to us by Judy Green.

Norway Memorial Library announces a fall book discussion series called *Native American Literature: Straddling Cultures*. The series will consider three novels that tell of Native Americans crossing from their traditional cultures into the westernized world. Topics considered will be how and why Native Americans leave their land, how they are perceived once they are living away from the reservation, and if there are any consequences when they return home.

Thursday, September 28, 6:30-8:00 pm *Tracks* by Louise Erdrich

Erdrich explores the clash between the Anishinabe culture and white men encroaching on their land. Nanapush and Fleur struggle to find a place in the world off the reservation, then to find a home when they return. Readers will also hear from Pauline, a young girl of mixed heritage, who tells of her conversion to Catholicism and leaving behind her Anishinabe beliefs.

Thursday, October 19, 6:30-8:00 pm *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

Alexie's story centers on Junior, a teenaged boy who leaves his reservation school for a white school where the only other Indian is the school's mascot. Junior tries to fit in with his white school friends, but questions how much of being Indian is lost in his assimilation.

Thursday, November 9, 6:30-8:00 pm *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks

In 17th century Massachusetts, Caleb, a young Wampanoag Indian is the first Native American to graduate from Harvard. The author weaves Caleb's story of studying in the white man's world with that of his friendship with Bethia, a daughter of a Puritan farmer.

To find out more information and request books please call the library at 743-5309 ext. 1 or visit the library's website for more information at www.norway.lib.me.us.

October 26, 7-8:30 pm: Cobblestones (please see front of website for photo of band and full information). Free tickets are required for the concert and are available at the library's information desk starting October 9 on a first come first served basis. They are going fast and please bear in mind that seating is limited.

October 27, 2:00-5 pm: Norway Downtown's Annual Halloween Fest. Please stop by the library for healthy snacks, stories, crafts, and prizes. You can have your picture taken with Baxter the Library Cat.

November 2, 6:30-8 pm: Finding Newfoundland with Doris Ray

Pack up a sense of adventure and love of nature with your yearning for exploration and enjoy an evening in Newfoundland. Doris Ray spent most of July 2017 in this Canadian province "as far away from Disneyland as you can get." She will take you to "The Rock" to learn about its history, landscape, people, and unforgettable places. You will "scoff up" Newfoundland goodies, pick up new words, and take home a list of movies, books, websites, and recipes so you can plan your own trip to this magical place with its own time zone!

November 28, 6:30-8 pm: Holiday Cookie and Craft Night

Gather together to exchange cookies and make a gingerbread garland, English Christmas crackers, and sparkle candle jars. Participants must bring a small glass jar to make the sparkle candle jar and one dozen cookies to share. These crafts will make great decorations or gifts.

December 1: Winter Book Bingo begins and ends March 19, 2018

As cold weather takes hold, what better way to chase the winter blues away than reading! To play along, pick up a bingo card at the information desk and start reading to fill in the squares. Read books that correspond to subjects in each square. Get all books in a horizontal, vertical, diagonal, or blackout pattern before March 20 and enter your card into a drawing for a prize.

December 8: Norway Memorial Library's Annual Holiday Open House, 5-7:30 p.m.

Stop by the library for food, friends, and fun. This coincides with Norway Downtown's Holiday Nights. Mollycokett Chorus will be performing at 7:00 pm.