



## APRIL GREETINGS FROM BAXTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY



**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

April 7th @ 10am  
Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee

April 21st @ 10am  
Kisses from Katie  
By Katie Davis and Beth Clark

All are welcome, no registration required.

Tuesday, April 19th @ 7:00pm

Wesley McNair  
Maine's Former Poet Laureate

To honor spring and National Poetry Month, Wesley McNair will offer an uplifting series of poems to remind us that despite our conflicts and sorrows, the sources of celebration are all around us.

*More Than A Rap Sheet: The Real Stories of Incarcerated Women*

The Baxter Memorial Library is proud to be hosting the More Than A Rap Sheet exhibition during the month of April. This project is a moving exhibit put together by Family Crisis Services that consists of twenty-seven poems and twenty-one portraits of incarcerated women in Maine.

We will kick off the exhibition on **Tuesday, April 5, at 7pm** with a variety of speakers and light refreshments. This event will also serve as an opportunity to sign up for a closing event to be held on **Thursday, April 28, at 6:30pm**, which will consist of a series of book group discussions.

Family Crisis Services (FCS), the domestic violence agency for Cumberland county, has been working with incarcerated women at Cumberland County Jail and Maine Correctional Center since 2000, a community where approximately 95% of the women have experienced domestic violence in their lifetimes. In FCS's support groups, women were asked to tell their truths and an exhibit was born. The women's truths are profound, inspiring and raw. FCS partnered with the SALT Institute's Christine Heinz, who photographed the women, creating forceful portraits that visually mirror the truth of the women's words.

Composition notebooks, with no metal or staples, will be collected at Baxter Library during the exhibit for the women in FCS's support groups.

The truth about me is...  
I carry guilt.  
I carry pride.  
I carry anger and hurt.  
I carry love.  
I carry devotion.  
Most of the time I will want to carry you.

[ the real stories of incarcerated women ]

**The Friends of BML Spring Book Sale**

**Friday, May 6th from 9am to 7pm**  
**Saturday, May 7th from 9am to 1pm**  
**Gorham Recreation Department**

We have thousands of books for all ages and interests! All of our books are fresh donations. Proceeds benefit the activities of The Friends of Baxter Memorial Library.

American Red Cross will be holding a Gorham Community Blood Drive in loving memory of Pam Turner.

**Friday, May 6th 1-6pm @ Shaw Gym.**

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

The Library is delighted to be a collection point for the Gorham Food Pantry. This month's item: **2 in 1 shampoo**. When you're out shopping, please consider purchasing some for the Gorham Food Pantry. Your help is greatly appreciated. The need is great for nonperishable food and care items. Please give as you are able. **THANK YOU!**

## SPRING HAS SPRUNG!!

The Youth Services Department has planned activities to keep everyone busy during April school vacation.

**Tuesday, April 19th @ 10am** ~ Local author and illustrator Kevin Hawkes will be teaching an art lesson geared towards children 3rd grade and up. He will be signing books after the lesson. Books will be available for purchase.

**Wednesday, April 20th @ 1:30pm** ~ Cornerstones of Science will teach us about butterflies.

**Thursday, April 21st @ 1pm** ~ Worms go in, worms go out. WormMainea will show us how worms can be used to eat our garbage.

**Friday, April 22nd 10am – 2pm** ~ Drop in to celebrate Earth Day. We will have crafts and a planting activity.

# April 2016

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4	5 9:30am Preschool Story Time 7pm More Than A Rap Sheet Opening Sheet	6	7 9:30am Baby & Me 10am Toddler Time 10am Book Group 2:30pm Sewing Group 6:30pm Trustees Mtg	8	9 10am Lego Club
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18 <b>CLOSED FOR PATRIOTS' DAY</b>	19 10am Kevin Hawkes Art Lesson 7pm Wesley McNair Author Event	20 1:30pm Cornerstones of Science: Butterflies 	21 10am Book Group 1pm WormMainea 	22 10am-2pm Earth Day Activities 	23
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For an update on our events, please visit our online calendar @ [baxterlibrary.org](http://baxterlibrary.org) or call 222-1190 FMI