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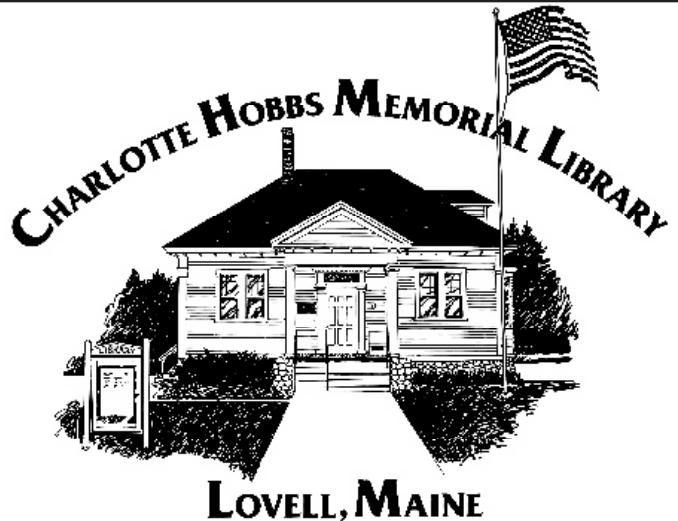
# March & April



## 2010



# NEWS



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## MESSAGE FROM THE ATTIC

It has been a wonderful two months here at the library. Our lively cribbage gang is back (with their doughnuts!), over 30 people attended the Oxford County Extension Program on strawberries, our story times attract many book loving children and their parents, and our adult book group and gardeners' lunches are going strong. Our Annual Appeal has already raised over \$17,500! This could very well become our most successful annual appeal ever. On behalf of the whole Board I would like to thank all of you for your generosity. Our tenth (!) annual Valentine's Day fundraiser 'A Taste Of Lovell' also reached new heights; we raised more money and more people attended than ever before. Thank you to all the bakers, volunteers, Fryeburg Academy musicians, and sweet tooth's who made this possible. Once again Jane Nesbitt took first place with her Coconut Cake, Georgette Hardman placed second with a Hummingbird Cake and third place went to Rondi Tupai with her Peanut Butter Sins.

And of course the construction noises are music to our ears. Many of us who have been involved in planning and fundraising for this addition for the last 9 years are still pinching ourselves. We welcome any questions you may have about the details of our renovation.

We would like to remind you of the Lovell town meeting on March 6. at 9 AM. Our annual request of the town of Lovell to help offset our 2010 operating budget is \$37,500, the same amount as in the last 2 years. We hope we can count on your support.

**Happy Spring!**

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## Important Announcement: We are expanding our hours!



We are pleased to announce that due to popular demand we are expanding our opening hours on Saturdays with one extra hour: new closing time will be 1 PM starting on March 6.

We will keep detailed hourly statistics and the Board will reevaluate this decision at the end of 2010.



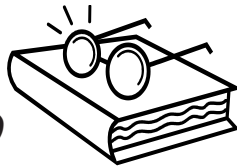
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# Library Programs

**Preschool Storytime**  
**Mondays at 10:30 am**  
**March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**  
**April 5, 12 & 26**



**Adult Book Discussion**  
**with Rosie White**  
**Mondays at 1 pm**  
**March 8 and April 12**

For children ages 3 and up. Children under 3 may attend with an adult caregiver. Storytime includes picture book stories, fingerplays, songs and a craft.

We continue to meet on the second Monday of each month at 1:00 pm. Our discussion in March will focus on three short stories by Cynthia Rich, Saul Bellow, and Shirley Ann Grau. Our April meeting will feature *Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger. Books are available at the library and new members are always welcome..

**Cribbage continues on Wednesdays**  
**from 9:30 am to 12 pm**

Our cribbage players meet weekly to share cribbage and refreshments. All levels of players, including beginners, are welcome to join. This fun group also raises money for the Library! For more information, please call the Library.

**Backyard Fruit Course.**



The Oxford County Extension will continue to present this three-part course on Backyard Fruit at the library. The course is presented by Barbara Murphy. The first class was very well attended and everyone is looking forward to the last two. There is no charge for this course but participants must register in advance. Call the Extension Office at 800-287-1482 or the Library at 207-925-3177.

**Mouse Paint Storytime**  
**for Grades K to 2**  
**Fridays from**  
**2:45 - 4:00 pm**  
**March 5 & 19**  
**April 2, 9, 19 & 30**



Each session will include stories, games, songs, a craft and snack. Start the weekend with fun at the Library and check out a great book to share at home. Send a note to school in order to take the bus directly to the Library after school. Please pick up children promptly as the Library closes at 4 pm.



**MONDAY:**  
March 8 at 6-7:30 P.M. Blueberries  
April 12 at 6-7:30 P.M. Raspberries.

**Kids Lunch at the Library**  
**Thursday, April 22**  
**(during April vacation)**  
**from 12:00 to 1:30 pm**



For school-age children. Bring your lunch and join Rosie White for lunch, music, games, stories and a craft. Beverage and dessert will be provided.

**Gardeners' Get-Together**

March and April's gardeners' luncheons will take place right before the first and fifth class of the 5 week gardening course presented by Barbara Murphy of the Oxford County Extension Service (see next page). Please join our group of enthusiastic gardeners on Thursday, March 11 and Thursday April 8 at 12:00 P.M.! Bring a bag lunch and enjoy the company of fellow gardeners

# Library Programs Continued

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## 5 Week Gardening Course At Your Library



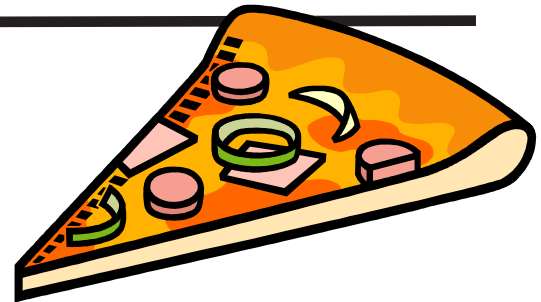
Barbara Murphy, of the Oxford County Extension Service will present a gardening course here at the Library. It will be a basic gardening course but can be modeled, to some extent, on the participants wishes . The Extension is suggesting a \$ 20.00 fee for supplies and materials, the library will cover the fees when necessary. Please register here at the Library at 207-925-3177 or at the Oxford Extension Office at 800-287-1482. Each session will begin at 12:30 and end at 2:00 PM.

- March 4 – Getting Started with Vegetable Gardening  
(what makes a great site, what to grow, soil testing, organic vs conventional)
- March 11- Making great garden soil
- March 18 – Botany – Understanding how plants grow
- March 25 – Garden Maintenance – Keeping plants happy and growing
- April 8 – Extending the growing and harvest season.

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## Calling All Book Lovers!!!

**Celebrate National Library Week  
at the Charlotte Hobbs Library  
on Friday April 16 at 6 P.M. with  
a Pizza/ Book Review Party for all ages**



First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April.

We are celebrating National Library Week with a Pizza/ Book Review Party on Friday April 16 at 6 PM.

Join us for pizza, conversation, and book reviews for all ages. We will feature reviews by old and young patrons and other Lovell “celebrities.” It’s a great opportunity to find out what others are reading and to have a first chance at some of our most recent acquisitions.

Perhaps you’d like to share a book you’ve enjoyed.  
If so, there will be a sign up sheet at the library.

Also this night we will draw the winning two  
tickets of our March/April Book Raffle.

# Library Programs Continued

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**March Speaker Program:  
A Night With The Harvest Hills Animal Shelter  
Thursday, March 18 at 7:00 PM**



Join Joan McBurnie and Bobby Silcott as they discuss the history, growth, successes, and future of The Harvest Hills Animal Shelter in Fryeburg. Harvest Hills is a non-profit organization which contracts with 19 towns in Western Maine to accept neglected, stray, and abandoned cats and dogs. Mr. Silcott will also discuss his POM Project to help equip local rescue organizations with Pet Oxygen Masks (POM) designed for both small and large animals. This is a great opportunity to learn more about a local, wonderful, caring, and needed organization. All are welcome and conversation and refreshment follow the presentation. For more information, call the Library at 925-3177.

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**April Speaker Program:  
Treehouse Farm With The Bradley's  
Thursday, April 8 at 7:00 PM**



Dream of spring and summer as Linda and Don Bradley help us understand the workings of a commercial greenhouse, offer advice and answer questions. Located in Sweden, the Bradley's have been supplying gardeners in this area with flowers and vegetable plants since 1995. As they state, they offer "quality at a fair price." They will also provide us with helpful hints for successful gardening in our area, recommended varieties, and popular picks. The program will conclude with conversation and refreshments. For further information, call the Library at 925-3177.

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## Library Hours

Monday: 9 am - 8 pm

Tuesday: closed

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9 am - 4 pm 

Saturday: 9 am - 1 pm (NEW CLOSING TIME)

Sunday: closed

2010 Closed Holidays:

New Year's Day

M.L. King Day

Presidents' Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

Labor Day

Columbus Day

Veterans Day

Thanksgiving Day

Christmas Day

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