



## RANGELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY May 2021 Newsletter



Dear Scott,

Welcome May! For some, this will mean getting ready to move at a more leisurely pace, for others, we will just be ready to pick up the pace. All of us hope for this May to usher in a more "normal" summer season than last summer, whatever normal is.

I recently heard that Portland, Maine was the number one searched for destination among United States Airports in the late winter and early spring, and that the Bangor airport was number 10 in the nation. What this seems to indicate is that many people are planning to come to Maine this summer. We may have a second opportunity to welcome all those Maine Bicentennial visitors we missed in 2020. (Did I just hear a collective choan? That is a loud cheer from half of you, and an equally loud groan from the other half.)

Whatever your response, we hope that you will make Rangeley Public Library a part of your summer. We are cautiously moving forward with plans for in-person summer programming, quite likely on a smaller scale than previous years, but still interesting and fun. Stop by to find out what is planned and how you may be a part of it.

Sincerely,

Janet Wilson, Director  
[director@rangeleylibrary.org](mailto:director@rangeleylibrary.org)

P.S. Please take a minute to **respond to our patron poll** further down in this newsletter. Or, if you prefer, contact me directly to give your feedback.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10:00-4:30  
Sat. 10:00-2:00

Open until 7:00 on the last Wednesday of each month



### Erykah Condon Selected for Library Leadership Program

**Rangeley Public Library** is pleased to announce that Cataloging Librarian **Erykah Condon** has been selected to join in the Association for Rural and Small Libraries (ARSL) Outstanding in Their Field Leadership Institute as part of the 2021-22 cohort. Beginning in August of 2021 this group of 30 library professionals from around the country will engage in residential, online, and conference experiences spanning 18 months to deepen their understanding of and commitment to professional values while they gain practical managerial skills.

ARSL's Leadership Institute is unique because its students are selected from only small and/or rural libraries. Often these are "accidental librarians" who have no formal education in librarianship (in the form of a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science) and few local resources for library-specific professional development. These folks came into their leadership positions from a wide variety of backgrounds and may already be in a position of authority, or they may be looking ahead to a transition of power within their organization. However they got to where they are today, they're ready to expand their professional capabilities and grow as institutional and community leaders. Key priorities for this institute are to develop strong rural and small library leaders, give them tools to strengthen the communities they serve, and empower them to add their voices to national conversations about libraries.

As the premier organization representing rural and small libraries, ARSL recognizes the uniqueness of these libraries and is committed to providing professional development that builds capacity and excellence within this community of practice. This program is funded by a generous grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Science.

Erykah, who has been employed by the Rangeley Public Library since March 2020, is a 2016 graduate of Kennebunk High School. She has lived in Rangeley for the past five years. The staff and

board of the Rangeley Public Library would like to congratulate Erykah on this wonderful professional growth opportunity.

# FUNDRAISING

## Patron Poll



Would you feel comfortable buying food at our annual Book & Bake Sale in July?

**Yes, I would buy baked goods if the sale is just like it is every year**

Select

**Yes, if extra precautions are taken to keep shoppers from touching**

Select

**Yes, if a professional baker was employed to bake the goodies**

Select

**No, I would not feel comfortable purchasing home baked food**

Select



We would love to have your empty spaghetti sauce jars to reuse next year! Just drop them off at the library.

# PROGRAMS

## BOOK GROUPS

Rangeley Readers  
3rd Wednesday @4:00 PM

Adventure Book Group  
Last Wednesday @4:00 PM

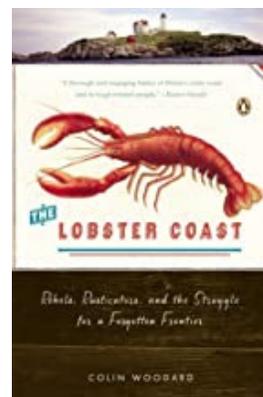
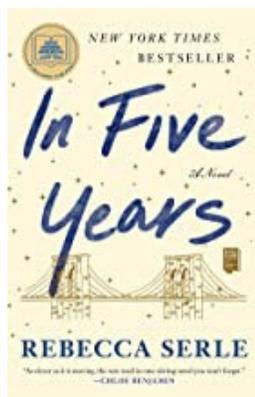


Rangeley Readers Book Group continues to meet via Zoom. However, Adventure Book Group is going to meet in person, outside on the Library's patio for the May 26th meeting. We will send a Zoom link as usual so that we can meet remotely if the weather is not conducive to an outdoor meeting. Please give us a call at 864-5529 or send us an email [atdirector@rangeleylibrary.org](mailto:atdirector@rangeleylibrary.org) to be added to our email list so that we can send you an invitation to join our Zoom discussions.

## May Book Discussions

Wednesday, May 19th, 4:00 PM  
Rangeley Readers will discuss *In Five Years* by Rebecca Serle.

Wednesday, May 26th, 4:00 PM  
Adventure Book Group will discuss *The Lobster Coast* by Colin Woodard.



## NEW MEDIA IN MAY

Adult Fiction

*The Son of Good Fortune* by Lysley Tenorio  
*Man of My Time* by Dalia Sofer  
*21st Birthday* (Women's Murder Club #21) by James Patterson  
*Robert B. Parker's Payback* (Sunny Randall #9) by Mike Lupica  
*The Final Twist* (Colter Shaw #3) by Jeffrey Deaver  
*The Summer of Lost & Found* (Beach House #3) by Mary Alice Monroe  
*That Summer* by Jennifer Weiner  
*Margreete's Harbor* by Eleanor Morse  
*When the Stars Go Dark* by Paula McClain  
*Bone Rattle* (Arless Cutter #3) by Marc Cameron  
*A Distant Shore* by Karen Kingsbury  
*The Music of Bees* by Eileen Garvin  
*Aftermath* by Terri Blackstock  
*The End of October* by Lawrence Wright  
*Dial A for Aunties* by Jesse Sutano  
*Hour of the Witch* by Chris Bohjalian  
*The Invisible Husband of Frick Island* by Colleen Oakley  
*The Last Green Valley* by Mark Sullivan  
*The Plot* by Jean Korelitz  
*Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir  
*The Most Beautiful Girl in Cuba* by Chanel Cleeton  
*Great Circle* by Maggie Shipstead  
*Katharine Parr, The Sixth Wife* (Tudor Queens #6) by Allison Weir  
*The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave  
*The Cuts That Cure* by Arthur Hebert  
*Sooley* by John Grisham  
*A Gambling Man* (Archer #2) by David Baldacci  
*Finding Ashley* by Danielle Steel  
*The Lady Has a Past* by Amanda Quick  
*The Newcomer* by Mary Kay Andrews  
*When a Stranger Comes to Town* by Michael Koryta  
*The Woman with the Blue Star* by Pam Jenoff

### **Adult Nonfiction**

*The Nine* by Gwen Strauss  
*Saving My Enemy* by Bob Welch  
*Killing the Mob* by Bill O'Reilly  
*Every Day Is a Gift* by Tammy Duckworth  
*Mud, Rocks, Blazes* by Heather Anderson  
*Finding Freedom* by Erin French

### **Young Adult**

*Realm Breaker* (Realm Breaker #1) by Victoria Aveyard  
*The Ones We're Meant to Find* by Joan He

### **Older Kids**

*Mothering Heights* (Dogman #10) by Dav Pilkey  
*Across the Pond* by Joy McCullough  
*Best Nerds Forever* by James Patterson

### **Younger Kids**

*Night Hunt* (Dragon Kingdom of Wrenly #3) by Jordan Quinn  
*Llama Llama Meets the Babysitter* by Anna Dewdney

*I Am the Shark* by Joan Holub  
*The Bruce Swap* by Ryan Higgins

**DVDs**

Emma

Masterpiece Triple Feat/Ms. Wilson/Blood/Chaperone  
News of the World  
Suitable Boy

**Library Staff**

Janet Wilson - Director  
Pat Langille - Circulation Tech  
Erykah Condon - Cataloging Librarian  
Sue Damm - Aide  
Debbie Ladd - Aide

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