



2016-2017

Library Gift Program Book List

Mark First, Second and Third Choice with "1, 2 or 3"

**Early Childhood**

<i>Title</i>	<i>Author</i>	<i>Indicate Choice</i>
Before We Eat: From Farm to Table	Brisson	
Christmas Angels	Wenz-Vietor	
Emily and Daisy	Beskow	
King of Ireland's Son	Colum	
Magical Wonder Tales	Wyatt	
Ollie's Ski Trip	Beskow	
Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter	Wynstones Press	
Stories of the Saints	Knijpenga	
Story of the Snow Children	Olfers	
Twisted Tangled Tale	Smith	

**Elementary**

<i>Title</i>	<i>Author</i>	<i>Indicate Choice</i>
It's Like This, Cat	Neville	
J.T.	Wagner	
Key to the Indian	Banks	
Kneeknock Rise	Babbitt	
The Lemonade War	Davies	
Little House on Rocky Ridge	MacBride	
Lou Gehrig: One of Baseball's Greatest	Van Riper	
Miss Hickory	Bailey	
Mitch and Amy	Cleary	
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Richard Atwater	

**Middle School**

<i>Title</i>	<i>Author</i>	<i>Indicate Choice</i>
Art of Keeping Cool	Lisle, Janet Taylor	
Big Wander	Hobbs	
Brian's Hunt	Paulsen	
Brian's Winter	Paulsen	
Bud, not Buddy	Curtis	
Case of the Missing Moonstone	Stratford	
Driver's Ed	Cooney	
Ghost Canoe	Hobbs	
Greenglass House	Milford	
No Talking	Clements	

## EARLY CHILDHOOD LIST

***Before we Eat: Farm to Table:*** Whether picking berries, passing roadside market stands, visiting farmer's markets, or tending their own backyard gardens, children here in Maine are lucky enough to experience the abundance of the Earth during the summer and early fall, but too many city-dwelling children only know that their food comes pre-packaged from an air-conditioned supermarket, unaware of all the farmers and helpers whose hard work has produced the beautiful fruits, vegetables, and nutritious food that fill their family's shopping cart. *Before We Eat* recognizes with reverence all the hands that have helped us put food on our table.

***The Christmas Angels*** is a beautifully illustrated Christmas story originally published in Germany in 1933. Small children will love the row of cutout angel heads that reveal the features of another little angel as they turn the pages one-by-one. On Christmas Eve, while most people are safely tucked in their beds, the Christmas angels know who needs help on this holy night, and they are ready to fly down to help those who are lost, lonely, and weary. This is a beautiful and inspiring picture book that heralds the Christmas message of loving kindness with every page.

***Emily and Daisy:*** recently translated into English for the first time. Emily is a helpful little girl, so when her mother is worried that Daisy the cow will escape into the clover field through a hole in the fence, she offers to go and look after Daisy for the day. On the way, she meets a big dog, a boasting boy, and an elderly man with a sack. When she arrives in the meadow, she realizes she needs help with Daisy and to mend the fence. To whom can she turn?

***King of Ireland's Son:*** a coming of age story of the youngest son of the King of Ireland who sets off on an impossible quest. This book weaves together stories within stories in a fantastic tapestry of humor, poetry, action and adventure.

***Magical Wonder Tales:*** A collection of fifteen fairy tales written by Isabel Wyatt who wrote numerous books for children. These tales are filled with both magical and natural creatures, and present challenges to the humans in each story.

***In Ollie's Ski Trip,*** six-year-old Ollie is given his first pair of real skis. As soon as the snow begins to fall, he sets off on an adventure by himself to the palace of King Winter. Along the way, he meets Jack Frost, who makes everything sparkle, and Mrs. Thaw, and other characters.

***Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter:*** These books contain a wide variety of seasonal poems, songs and stories used in Waldorf kindergartens. They provide invaluable material for developing circle and story times. First published twenty years ago these books are in their third edition, reedited with new material added. In addition, the music has been comprehensively edited, with most songs now in the scale of D-pentatonic, which is particularly suited to pentatonic lyres and may be played on any traditional seven-note or twelve-note instrument. Each volume includes an enlightening introduction by Jennifer Aulie on music in the "mood of the fifth."

***Stories of the Saints:*** An invaluable treasury of stories about devotion, self-sacrifice and faith. Siegwart Knijpenga tells these stories specifically to the seven through eleven year old child, covering a wide range of saints from many times and lands. Ideal for home or school use. Included are the stories of St. Francis, St. Christopher, Sts. Bridget, Columbia, Giles, Benedict, George, Martin, the real St. Nicholas, Joan of Arc and the Evangelists: Luke and John, as well as many others. Siegwart Knijpenga is a priest working in Amsterdam. This book grew out of his many years' experience of giving religious lessons to children. Many black and white illustrations.

***The Story of the Snow Children*** by Sibylle von Olfers is a beautifully illustrated seasonal story for young children. As Poppy gazes out her window at the falling snow, she suddenly notices that the snowflakes are tiny Snow Children, whirling and dancing in her garden. Soon they sweep her away to visit the wintry kingdom of the Snow Queen.

***Twisted, Tangled Tale:*** This original story follows the misadventures of a crafty woman who lives on a farm. Everything in her life is "just right". Until one day she gets a visit from the dreaded tangle fairies! Tangle fairies are wretched and wild. They cause all sorts of fiber fiascoes. Follow our dear heroine through her knitting and sewing disasters as she tries golden locks, booby traps, and more, until she finally learns the secret to keeping the tangle fairies away. Beautiful fiber illustrations by a longtime handwork teacher.

## ELEMENTARY LIST

### ***It's Like This, Cat***

Dave Mitchell and his father yell at each other a lot, and whenever the fighting starts, Dave's mother gets an asthma attack. That's when Dave storms out of the house. Then Dave meets Tom, a strange boy who helps him rescue Cat. It isn't long before Cat introduces Dave to Mary, a wonderful girl from Coney Island. Slowly Dave comes to see the complexities in people's lives and to understand himself and his family a little better.

### ***J.T.***

To the guys on the block, J.T. is the kid who stole the radio out of the red convertible before they could get to it. His neighbor, Mrs. Morris, declares him a first-class nuisance. His mother is bewildered -- "He's just gone bad, that's all.... Stealin' and lyin' and I don't know what all." But all the sensitivity, responsibility, and care of which ten-year-old J.T. Gamble is capable emerges when he finds an old, one-eyed, badly hurt alley cat. J.T. takes on a new dimension as he lavishes all the love he is unable to express to people around him on the battered cat he has found in the junk-filled empty lot.

### ***Key to the Indian***

When Little Bull and his whole tribe of Iroquois are in deep trouble with the English settlers, only Omri and his father can help, but first they must find a way to get to that time period and back — not to mention survive a brutal attack of the longhouse.

### ***Kneeknock Rise***

Instep is a village at the foot of a cliff called Kneeknock Rise. A terrible moaning can be heard from the cloud of mist which hides the top of the cliff. No one knows what it is...nobody has ever gone to see and returned!

### ***The Lemonade War***

Jessie, who sometimes finds people more puzzling than math problems, doesn't understand why Evan won't team up with her, so she starts her own lemonade stand. Soon brother and sister are waging an all-out war for customers. Can Evan figure out the math to make more than he's spending? And can Jessie attract customers and navigate a new friendship without Evan's help?

Told in the alternating voices of Jessie and Evan, and including kid-friendly business advice, this believable story illustrates the grudges, misunderstandings, and unconditional support that make sibling relationships unique.

### ***Little House on Rocky Ridge***

Meet Rose Wilder, Laura Ingalls Wilder's daughter, and the last of the Little House girls. Rose and her parents, Laura and Almanzo, say good-bye to Ma and Pa Ingalls and Laura's sisters. In a covered wagon containing all their possessions, they make their way across the drought-stricken Midwest to the lush green valleys of southern Missouri. The journey is long and not always easy, but at the end is the promise of a new home and a new life for the Wilders. Little House on Rocky Ridge is the first book in The Rose Years, an ongoing series about another spirited girl from America's most beloved pioneer family.

### ***Lou Gehrig: One of Baseball's Greatest***

A biography focusing on the childhood of one of the greatest professional baseball players, who is remembered for playing 2,130 consecutive games in 14 seasons with the New York Yankees.

### ***Miss Hickory***

A country doll made of an apple-wood twig with a hickory nut for a head has many adventures when she finds a new home.

### ***Mitch and Amy***

Double Trouble...Mitch and Amy both think being twins is fun, but that doesn't stop them from squabbling. Amy is good at reading. Mitch is a math whiz. Amy likes to play pretend. Mitch would rather skateboard. They never want to watch the same television show. And they always try to get the better of each other. Then the school bully starts picking on Mitch — and on Amy, too. Now the twins have something rotten in common: Alan Hibbler. This twosome must set aside their squabbles and band together to defeat a bully.

### ***Mr. Popper's Penguins***

Once the house-painting season is over, Mr. Popper settles in for the winter to read his travel books. He dreams of going to Antarctica one day; in fact, he never tires of reading about the South Pole. But one day the South Pole comes to him, in the form of a penguin in a package sent from the Antarctic explorer Admiral Drake. The penguin, dubbed Captain Cook after the "gook" sound he makes, lives with the Popper family, puts a strain on their modest means, and creates quite a stir in little Stillwater. Mr. Popper and his penguin are photographed together during a stroll around town, and this sparks the interest of the national press.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL LIST

### ***Art of Keeping Cool***

Fear permeates the Rhode Island coastal town where Robert, his mother, and sister are living out the war with his paternal grandparents: Fear of Nazi submarines offshore. Fear of Abel Hoffman, a German artist living reclusively outside of town. And for Robert, a more personal fear, of his hot-tempered, controlling grandfather. As Robert watches the townspeople's hostility toward Hoffman build, he worries about his sensitive cousin Elliot's friendship with the artist. And he wonders more and more about the family secret everyone seems to be keeping from him -- a secret involving Robert's father, a bomber pilot in Europe. Will Elliot's ability to detach himself from the turmoil around him be enough to sustain him when prejudice and suspicions erupt into violence? And can Robert find his own way to deal with the shocking truth about his family's past?

### ***Big Wander***

As he searches for his uncle through the rugged Southwest canyon country, fourteen-year-old Clay becomes involved with a group of Navajo Indians who are trying to save some of the last wild mustangs.

### ***Brian's Hunt***

This story takes place two years after Brian had been stranded in the Canadian wilderness. When Brian finds a dog one night, a dog that is wounded and whimpering, he senses danger. The dog is badly hurt, and as Brian cares for it, he worries about his Cree friends who live north of his camp. His instincts tell him to head north, quickly. With his new companion at his side, and with a terrible, growing sense of unease, he sets out to learn what happened. He sets out on the hunt.

### ***Brian's Winter***

A riveting and inspiring story is created by author Gary Paulsen as he begins with a new and harrowing ending to his classic favorite Newbery Honor-winning *Hatchet* where 13-year-old Brian Robeson learned to survive alone in the Canadian wilderness armed only with his hatchet. He was rescued at the end of the summer. In this unique retelling of a young boy's struggle to survive in the Canadian wilderness, Paulsen raises the stakes with the question: What if Brian hadn't been rescued at the end of summer, but instead had been left to confront his deadliest enemy, a northern winter?

### ***Bud, not Buddy***

It's 1936, in Flint, Michigan. Ten-year-old Bud may be a motherless boy on the run, but he's on a mission. His momma never told him who his father was, but she left a clue: posters of Herman E. Calloway and his famous band, the Dusky Devastators of the Depression! Bud's got an idea that those posters will lead to his father. Once he decides to hit the road and find this mystery man, nothing can stop him.

***Bud, Not Buddy*** is full of laugh-out-loud humor and wonderful characters, hitting the high notes of jazz and sounding the deeper tones of the Great Depression.

### ***Case of the Missing Moonstone***

History, mystery, and science collide, perfect for fans of *The Mysterious Benedict Society* and Lemony Snicket. Lady Ada Byron, age eleven, is isolated and awkward, but a genius. Mary Godwin, age fourteen, is a romantic. Adventurous, astute, and kind, Mary is to become Ada's first true friend. And together, the girls conspire to form the Wollstonecraft Detective Agency a secret constabulary for the apprehension of clever criminals. Their first case involves a stolen heirloom, a false confession, and an array of fishy suspects. But it's no match for the deductive powers and bold hearts of Ada and Mary.

### ***Driver's Ed***

Three teenagers' lives are changed forever when they thoughtlessly steal a stop sign from a dangerous intersection.

### ***Ghost Canoe***

After a sailing ship breaks up on the rocks off Washington's storm-tossed Cape Flattery, Nathan McAllister, the fourteen-year-old son of the lighthouse keeper, refuses to believe the authorities, who say there were no survivors. Unexplained footprints on a desolate beach, a theft at the trading post, and glimpses of a wild "hairy man" convince Nathan that someone is hiding in the remote sea caves along the coast. With his new friend, Lighthouse George, a fisherman from the famed Makah whaling tribe, Nathan paddles the fierce waters of the Pacific--fishing, hunting seals, searching for clues. Alone in the forest, Nathan discovers a ghostly canoe and a skeleton that may unlock the mystery of ancient treasure, betrayal . . . and murder.

### ***Greenglass House***

It's wintertime at Greenglass House. The creaky smuggler's inn is always quiet during this season, and 12-year-old Milo, the innkeepers' adopted son, plans to spend his holidays relaxing. But on the first icy night of vacation, out of nowhere, the guest bell rings. Then it rings again. And again. soon Milo's home is bursting with odd, secretive guests, each one bearing a strange story that is somehow connected to the rambling old house. As objects go missing and tempers flare, Milo and Meddy, the cook's daughter, must decipher clues and untangle the web of deepening mysteries to discover the truth about Greenglass House, and about themselves.

### ***No Talking***

The girls and the boys at Laketon Elementary don't get along very well. But the *real* problem is that these kids are loud and disorderly. That's why the principal uses her red plastic bullhorn. A lot.