

Meredith Library News

Library Hours:

Tues-Thurs 9-8
Fridays 9-5
Saturdays 9-2
Sundays & Mondays
Closed

Fall 2025

If She Can't Find It, Nobody Can (A Talk with Always Affable Inter-Library Loan Librarian Cherie Gable)

by Matthew Buteau, Adult Services Librarian

I spent a fun and informative session a while back interviewing our colleague Cherie about her background, time working at the library, and her current position in charge of Inter-Library Loans (abbreviated as ILL).

Cherie's pleasant demeanor and helpful attitude are well-known to Meredith residents as she has been working at the library for 16 years! (In fact, there's something of a Gable Dynasty at the library since her mother-in-law worked here for many years and Cherie's daughter now works at the library too.)

Cherie began by describing her background. She is a lifetime New Hampshire resident, originally hailing from the Newfound Lake area. Her undergraduate degree is in business and she later earned her MBA. Cherie previously worked at Freudenberg, an international company with a location in Bristol, NH. There, Cherie worked in Accounts Receivable dealing with many different companies. Her largest account was Ford Motor Company.

After taking time off to raise two children, Cherie returned to the workforce by joining the staff at the Meredith Public Library where she has been ever since. She began her career at the library as a Library Aide doing the "grunt work" as she explained and later spending a lot of time working in the Children's Room. Over a decade ago, she took on her present position of working with Inter-Library Loans. Cherie explains, "When our library does not own an item (and it's not a brand new item, generally meaning older than six months), we can go out and borrow it from any other library in the state." Available items include: books, DVDs, magazines, and even academic articles from college libraries.

There are 234 public libraries in New Hampshire. Cherie told us that there are about 200 which participate in the ILL system in NH. I asked her how that all works logistically considering New Hampshire towns and libraries stretch from the Canadian border to the Massachusetts border. **Continued on page 3**

"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life."
~ Henry Ward Beecher



FRIENDS OF THE MEREDITH LIBRARY

**BOOK
STORE**



HOURS:

WEDNESDAYS 10 AM – 6 PM
THURSDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM
FRIDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM
SATURDAYS 9 AM - 1:30 PM



News from the Children's Room!

September & October



Bookworm Bunch Story Time

Wed. from 10 to 11



September 3, 10, 17 & 24

October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Stories, crafts & snacks! All ages are welcomed! No sign-up required! Coffee & Tea served!

Old Home Day Story Time!

Saturday, September 6!

From 10:00 to 11:00

Visit the children's room this morning and listen to a true story that happened in New Hampshire. This story is about a little girl who got lost in the woods and was rescued by a bear! Craft & Snack



Have a spookily good Halloween this year at our boo-tiful party!

Friday, October 24 * 10:00 to 11:00

Enjoy a spooktacular story! Create a Halloween craft & have a treat!

Wear your costume!



Tot Time Reading Circle * Friday's 10 to 11

September 5, 12, 19 & 26

October 3, 10, 17, & 31

Join us in the children's room for stories, puppet friends and beautiful art work created by you! Coffee & Tea! Snacks served! Come read and play!



Afternoon Story Time!

Thursday Tales Story Time!

Sept. 4, 11, 18 & 25

Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Time-1:30 to 2:30

Please join us in the children's room! If your child is not napping, come and enjoy a story, craft & snack!



Interlibrary Loans

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Cherie explained that she enters the requests in an Internet-based system. The system uses various factors to determine which library the request will be sent to first. These factors include geographical proximity and library size. Requested items are sent via van delivery routes to the NH State Library where everything is sorted and rerouted to the receiving library. The Meredith Library gets three van drop off/pick up visitations per week. Depending on the timing and location of the materials, it can take up to two weeks for them to make their way from one library to another.

"How important is it for people to return their Inter-Library Loan materials on time?" she was asked. Cherie acknowledged that was a great question and elaborated, "It's very important because we want to keep a good relationship with the other libraries. If we have overdue things, they're not going to want to lend us their items if we are consistently late."

Patrons can put in ILL requests in several ways. They can ask at the circulation desk and a librarian will fill out the request form. People can also visit the library website and fill out a form there. They can also email Cherie at ILL@MeredithLibrary.org or call the library to relay their requests.

Towards the end of the conversation, we discussed an important note for anyone who has taken out Inter-Library Loan materials. They should always be returned to the library that handed the materials to the patron. It is actually not helpful for patrons to bring them back to the library that owns them as that causes more work in the background.

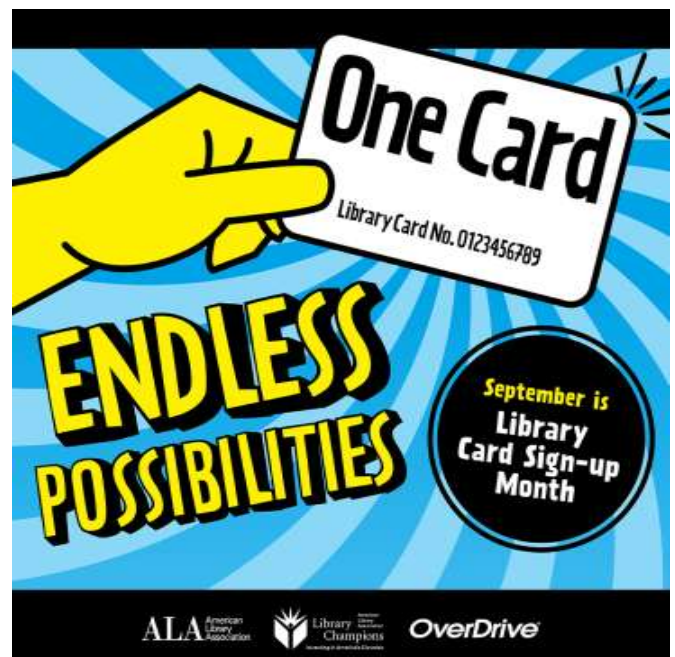
We ended the interview by asking Cherie our question of the day which was inquired about a favorite book she remembered reading from childhood. She told us she was a big fan of the *Little House* series by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

September is Library Card Sign-up Month

Each year we compete against other libraries in NH for the coveted Library Card Sign-Up Month Trophy. The year before last we were victorious and we seek to reclaim our prize! Please help us by encouraging a friend or family member to sign-up for a Meredith Public Library card or by renewing your own. If you are set to expire in 2025, be sure to come in and renew. Visitors will get a chance to spin the prize wheel for some fantastic library swag!

Use your card to:

- Learn a foreign language.
- Check out a museum pass.
- Stream a movie or TV show.
- Download an eBook, eMagazine, or eAudio book.
- Stream music from your favorite artists.
- Research your genealogy.
- Check out a book, large print book, DVD, or print magazine.





WELCOME HOME

TO THE MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEREDITH OLD HOME DAY

SATURDAY · SEPTEMBER 6 · 9 AM TO 2 PM

Meet Special Guest

LYNN MONTANA

at 1 PM

Join Lynn (daughter of Archie comics creator Bob Montana) for a Q & A session as she answers your questions about her father's work and legacy.

**We'll be showing two
Meredith Classics all day in a loop:**

The Close Shave

Meredith celebrity Bob Montana wrote and directed this silent movie starring local actors and actresses from the Meredith Village Players. Are your friends and relatives in the movie?

Meredith: The First 200 Years

Bob also wrote and directed this film comprising multiple skits that tell the history of Meredith through 1968. Again, local performers play all the parts. Recognize anyone?

- Sign up for a library card for the first time.
- Sign up children for their first cards.
- Check to make sure your card is current.
- Tour the building if you haven't seen it since before the renovations.

Fun for Everyone!



- Spin the Library Prize Wheel for library swag and surprise goodies.
- Enjoy light refreshments.

OPEN HOUSE FORMAT · DROP IN BETWEEN 9 AM AND 2 PM

● VINTAGE ●

MEREDITH MEDIA

≡ \$10 ≡

All proceeds go to the
Friends of the Meredith Library



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Filling The Void

Local historian and longtime *Meredith News* editor Rudy VanVeghten wrote this well-researched and detailed history of the Meredith Public Library in 1989. Discover the people and personalities that shaped the library and set the foundation we've built up on over the years.

LAKES CENTER FOR THE ARTS
MEET THE ARTISTS SERIES
BRIDGET POWERS
MIXED MEDIA ARTIST

SATURDAY • SEPTEMBER 27

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Meredith Public Library

Create beautiful monotypes without a press! In this quick, technique-based class, Bridget Powers will show you how to make gorgeous prints with inexpensive materials. No experience necessary!

You'll learn how to apply and remove paint from the gelli plate, add texture and develop your images with stencils, stamps, paint pens and all manner of mediums and materials. It is a truly limitless process and you will be addicted.

You can use your gelli prints to create hand made greeting cards on your own later with some ideas and examples that will be shared. Be prepared to get a little messy!



Bridget Powers

Space is limited to 8 participants.
 Please make your reservation
 by emailing:
connect@lakescenterforarts.org

The 501(c)3 non-profit Lakes Center for the Arts was created in 2019 to facilitate and encourage the growth of the arts through exhibition opportunities, marketing and business development resources, and community outreach for aspiring, emerging, and established artists and the community as a whole.



The LCA wants to make the New Hampshire Lakes Region an area businesses want to locate, people want to live and tourists want to visit for its strong arts culture as well as its recreational opportunities.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

**DR. AMANDA LAJOIE EXPLORES
 HOW TO INCREASE YOUR BODY'S
 LONGEVITY AND VITALITY**



Dr. Amanda Lajoie
 Awakening Chiropractic

Wednesday • September 10

6 PM - 7 PM

Function Room

Meredith Public Library

There will be time for Q & A as well as snacks after the presentation.

Join Dr. Amanda Lajoie of Awakening Chiropractic as she presents a talk about understanding how our bodies age.

Aging is inevitable, it is a part of life. However, are there ways that we can slow down the aging process? Or even reverse certain aspects of it?

Come to this wonderful session and learn more about what you can do daily to increase your body's longevity and vitality for years to come!



**Awakening
 CHIROPRACTIC**
 The Family Wellness Center

How to Pay for College

- **Setting savings goals**
- **Saving for college / savings options**
- **Financial aid**

Join Matthew Rigatti, a Financial Planner and Senior Vice President from Pointes North Wealth Management, in the library Function Room for this important seminar.

Meredith Public Library
Thursday
September 11
6:30 - 7:30 PM



Join us in the Maker Space on the second Saturday of every month and discover how to do something new!

- **Hands On Demonstrations**
- **Something To Take Home**

Maker Space Saturdays

September 13 @ 11 AM
 Use the embroidery machine to create a personalized napkin.

Each Saturday session introduces you to a different piece of equipment and lets you learn how to use that equipment to create your own item.



Check the events calendar for each month's fun activity!



LAKES CENTER FOR THE ARTS
MEET THE ARTISTS SERIES
ROBIN CORNWELL
FABRIC ARTIST

SATURDAY • October 4
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Meredith Public Library

Printing real leaves directly on fabric is a great way to preserve their wonderful shapes. This technique works well to embellish clothing, dish towels, pillow cases or what have you!

Participants will practice the technique of printing real leaves directly on fabric. The artist will demonstrate the products and techniques she uses for her Art Quilts. There will be numerous leaf shapes to work with and each person will "leave" with a sample piece of their prints on fabric and a list of materials if they want to pursue this process on their own.



Fabric Art by
Robin Cornwell

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SALEM, MA • 1692 ...

OCTOBER MOVIE SATURDAYS



SATURDAY • OCT 18
10:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

SATURDAY • OCT 25
11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM



THE CAPITAL CRIME OF WITCHCRAFT: WHAT THE PRIMARY SOURCES TELL US PRESENTED BY MARGO BURNS

This program focuses on the Salem witchcraft trials of 1692 and 1693, when nineteen people were hanged and one crushed to death, but also examines a variety of other cases against women in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. Paid for by a grant from the NH Humanities Council and by the Friends of the Meredith Library.



THURSDAY
OCTOBER 30
6:30PM
MEREDITH LIBRARY
91 MAIN STREET

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 to create a
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UPCOMING EVENTS

MEREDITH LIBRARY

TEEN ZONE

SEPTEMBER 2025



9/9

WEEK ONE

WELCOME BACK TEEN ZONE SOCIAL
STRING LANTERNS
AIR CLAY DAY
JACKBOX GAMES



9/16

WEEK TWO

BLACKOUT POETRY
GIANT JENGA
BAD ART CLUB
JACKBOX GAMES



9/23

WEEK THREE

DIGITAL ART ON PROCREATE
GIANT COLOR-BY-NUMBER
AIR CLAY DAY
JACKBOX GAMES



9/30

WEEK FOUR

AMONG US
TEEN TRIVIA
MYO PAPER BEADS
JACKBOX GAMES

AFTER SCHOOL TUES-FRI 3:30-5PM

PROGRAMS ARE OPEN TO KIDS 10+, HOWEVER, THE LIBRARY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISION

OCTOBER 2025

MEREDITH LIBRARY



TEEN ZONE



EVENTS, GAMES, AND FUN

**9/30**

AMONG US
TEEN TRIVIA
MYO PAPER BEADS
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/7**

AIR CLAY DAY
GIANT JENGA
WORLD CULTURE DAY
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/14**

AMONG US
ANIME AFTERSCHOOL HANG
PUMPKIN CARVING
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/21**

AMONG US
DIGITAL ART
AIR CLAY DAY
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/28**

LUMINARY JARS
MAGIC SHOW
OLD SCHOOL GAME REVIVAL
JACKBOX GAMES

WORLD CULTURE DAY

special guest

MS. LIZ

FOR AGES 10-18 AFTER SCHOOL FROM 3:30-5 PM

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Fall Crafternoons

First Fridays, 1-3PM

*All materials provided; \$5.00 fee per class.
Registration Required.*



**Simple Halloween
Cross Stitch
October 3**

**Thanksgiving Mason
Jars November 7**



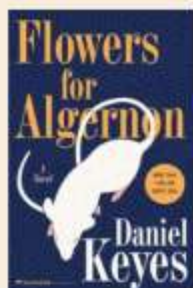
**Cork Christmas Tree
December 5**

BOOK CLUBS

Brown Bag

Meets at 12 PM

SEP 25



Flowers for Algernon
by Daniel Keyes

OCT 30



Daisy Jones & the Six
by Taylor Jenkins Reid

DEC 4

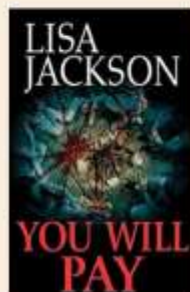


Comfort & Joy
by Kristin Hannah

Mystery

Meets at 10:30 AM

SEP 11



You Will Pay
by Lisa Jackson

OCT 9



Death by Chocolate Chip Cupcake
by Sarah Graves

NOV 13

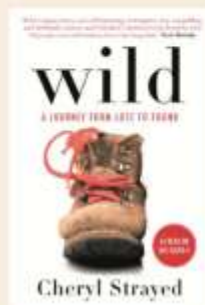


The Game Is A Footnote
by Vicki Delany

Non-Fiction

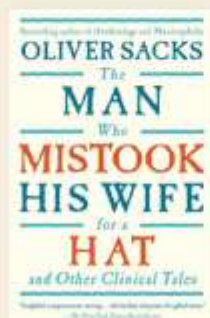
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SEP 30



Wild
by Cheryl Strayed

OCT 28

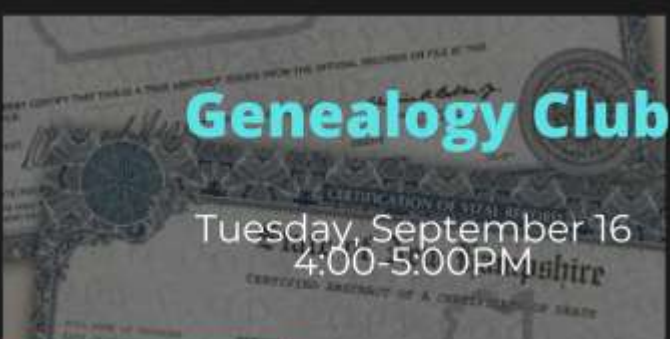


The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat
by Oliver Sacks

Nov 25



In God We Trust: All Others Pay Cash
by Jean Shepherd



Genealogy Club

Tuesday, September 16
4:00-5:00PM

Genealogy Club returns!
Join us on the third
Tuesday of each month
at 4:00PM.

This month we will be
reacquainting ourselves
with the library's
genealogy databases
including Ancestry
Library Edition, American
Ancestors and
FamilySearch Library
Affiliate. Light
refreshments served.



Our Current Play:

Love's Labor's Lost

WEDNESDAYS



WITH SHAKESPEARE

1:00 - 2:30 PM

Act I - 9/17 • Act II - 9/24 • Act III - 10/1
Act IV - 10/8 • Act V - 10/15



One Card

Library Card No. 0123456789

ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

September is
Library
Card Sign-up
Month

ALA American Library Association

Library Champions
Knowledge. America. Connected.

OverDrive

October 16 • 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Pumpkin Carving





MAGIC SHOW

WEDNESDAY • OCT 29

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

HALLOWEEN MAGIC SHOW

ALL AGES WELCOME



WEDNESDAY • OCT 29

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

KIDS' MAGIC LESSON

(SIGN-UP REQUIRED FOR LESSON)



Friends of the Meredith Public Library

Book Sale

THU. SEP 25 - 10:00 TO 4:30

FRI. SEP 26 - 10:00 TO 4:30

SAT. SEP 27 - 9:00 TO 1:00

**JOIN US IN THE FUNCTION ROOM FOR
GREAT BOOKS & AWESOME BARGAINS**



FRIENDS OF THE MEREDITH LIBRARY

BOOK STORE

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THURSDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM

FRIDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM

SATURDAYS 9 AM - 1:30 PM



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BOOKS FOR ALL AGES
DVDS, PUZZLES!

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MEREDITH, NH 03253

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Library BUILDING Hours:

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tues: 9am-8:00pm

Wed: 9am-8:00pm

Thurs: 9am-8:00pm

Friday: 9am-5:00pm

Saturday: 9am-2:00pm

*Please remember the library in
your estate planning.*

Computer Club

**Tuesdays @ 10AM Sep. 9.
Oct. 14 No meeting in Nov.**

Various topics are discussed
and open to all experience
levels.

We Want Your Scrap Wood!

***(To be used in our
Glowforge laser engraver)***

Must be no larger than 18" x
20" to fit in our machine and
can be no thicker than 1/2".
Please call and ask for Chris
for more details.

One-on-One Technology Training

Need help with your new
tablet, laptop or smart phone?
Is your email giving you prob-
lems? Sign up for a one-on-one
session with Chris.

Check Out a Kindle Fire

The library has three Kindle
Fires for circulation. Watch a
movie or TV show using our
Amazon Prime account or re-
quest a book we can download
for you.

Library Mission Statement

The Meredith Public Library's mission is to be the cultural heart of Meredith; a gathering place where community members can acquire and share knowledge.

Are You Talented?

Do you have a special skill such as knitting, scrapbooking or model train building you'd be willing to share with others at the library? Are you an artist looking for a place to display your work? If so please contact the library. If displaying artwork please ask for Matthew Buteau. If you would like to present a program at the library please contact Erin Apostolos.

Knotty Knitters

Join us weekly on Thursdays
at 9AM in front of the
historic fireplace.

Senior Center Tech

Meets Fridays at 9AM.

Sep. 5, 19
Oct. 3, 17, 31
Nov. 14 at the
Community Center.

Check out our very awesome telescope.

Take it home for one week.
*(Must be at least 18 years of
age with a valid driver's
license.)*