



Meredith Library News

December 2008

Library Hours

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



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Please help us celebrate the holidays by joining us for our special events this month. Children of all ages are invited to sign-up for the Gingerbread House Story Time on **Wednesday, December 3 from 3:30-4:30**.

Hear special stories and design your own gingerbread house! Also on **December 3 from 5:00-6:00**

1 young adults ages 10
2 and over are invited
to decorate and take
3 home their own gin-
4 gerbread houses.

3 Everyone is invited to
4 our Friends of the
5 Meredith Library
6 Holiday Open House
on **Saturday December 6 from 10:00-12:00, followed by the Friends' meeting from 1:00-2:00**. Enjoy coffee and holiday treats and enter our free book-lovers' basket raffle and pick up

a free copy of "Book Page", America's book review!

On **Wednesday December 10 from 3:30-4:30** the Webkinz Club will be making holiday treats for their Webkinz, copying recipes that can be found on the Webkinz site. Please be sure to sign up for this event.

On **Tuesday December 30 from 3:30-5:00** children and their families are invited to watch *Mary Poppins* on the big screen, the movie voted on for the book to movie afternoon! Popcorn will be served. Also on **December 30 from 5:30-7:30** the young adult book to movie vote, *The Spiderwick Chronicles* will be shown for young adults ages 10 and up. Popcorn will also be served.

Please note that due to the holidays the library will be closing on Wednesday December 24 at 2:00PM and reopening Friday December 26 at 9:00AM. The library will close Wednesday December 31 at 5:00PM and reopen Friday January 2 at 9:00AM. Please have a **Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year** from all the library staff!!



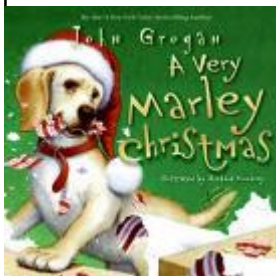


"From The Clock Tower"

MPL Children's Room



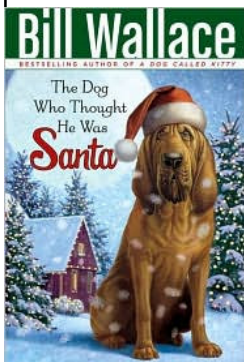
New Highlighted Books!



**A Very
Marley Christmas**

By: John Grogan

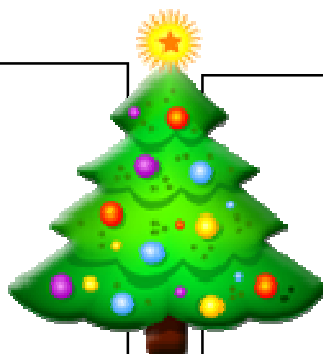
Soon to be a movie about this loveable trouble maker, Marley. Marley has an adult book, a big kids' and now two children's books about him and his antics. You can only imagine what the excitement of Christmas does to Marley. Look out for all kind of mayhem and some family love in this special story.



**The Dog Who
Thought He Was
Santa**

By: Bill Wallace

Frank is a blood-hound and he can smell and sense how his family is doing. Well, Christmas is coming and Frank's family has many worries. Can Frank help his family and save Christmas?



Special Children's Programs

Tot time: Every Friday through December 19 at 9:30 For ages:1-3

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:30am & Thursdays at 1:00pm For ages 3-5

Bedtime Stories

On the first Tuesday evening of every month at 6:30pm for Ages:3-8 Dec. 2, Jan 6 etc.



Gingerbread House Story Time

Wednesday, Dec. 3 @ 3:30

Read a festive story and decorate a gingerbread house to take home! Please sign-up in advance.

Webkinz Club

Second Weds. of every month at 3:30 for Ages: 5-9 on Dec. 10, Jan 14 etc

Vacation Book-to-movie afternoon-Mary Poppins

Tuesday, Dec. 30th @ 3:30 Movie and popcorn for families with no sign up.

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer-In post World War II England, a humor columnist from the London Times is publishing her first book; a collection of her columns written during the war. She is enjoying great notoriety from it but has decided that she wants to write something a bit more serious and is experiencing a case of writer's block.

One day she receives a letter from a man who has purchased a used book she once owned. He found her address in it and decided to write her to let her know

Book Review

how that book and her handwritten notes on its pages helped him get through the war.

He explains that he lives on the island of Guernsey, a channel island that had been occupied by the Germans for five years. He tells her of the group he belongs to "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" and how the group was formed as a ruse to the Germans but eventually became a life-line for all its members during the occupation. The columnist becomes very interested. Soon other members of the group start

writing her and though they've never met her, all become fast friends through their letters back and forth. She decides to write her book about the society and how books helped them cope with an impossible situation.

The entire story is told through a series of letters and is impossible to put down. The author manages to make each character lifelike and the reader begins to feel for each and every one, laughing at their antics and crying with their sorrows. A first-rate novel, the audio brings a voice to the characters as it is read by five excellent actors.

Friends of the Library Update



In December, we are combining our November and December meetings. On Saturday, December 6, 2008 the Friends of the Meredith Library will host a holiday open house. Coffee and holiday treats will be served in the Library from 10:00 to 12:00: following at 12:00 to 1:00 is our monthly meeting. All are welcome to join us as

we spread holiday cheer and good wishes!

HELP WANTED! Now that the season of giving is upon us please consider donating some of your time or talents to the Library that gives so much to us: (books, computers, programs, children's activities, and lots more). The Friends of the Meredith Library needs your help with future Book Sales and other activities. Be an active member of the Friends! There is a sign up sheet on the Friends table in the Library or feel free to contact me, Danielle Scott at 472-2616 or dmscott@metrocast.net.

Downloadable Audios

Have you tried downloadable audio books yet? You can access thousands of audio books online via our website at <http://www.meredithlibrary.org> and then click on "Download an Audio Book" from the left-hand menu. You will need your Meredith library card to download the books. You can check out up to three books at one time and keep them for one week. Books can be transferred to an MP3 player or some can be burned to CD where you can keep them for as long as you need. Please call the library if you need assistance.

New Items

Adult Non-Fiction

Armed America-Cassidy
Factory Girls-Chang
Fallen Giants-Isserman
Loser Take All
Men of Granite-Shaffer
No Choirboy-Kuklin
Stealth Jihad-Spencer
The Ascent of Money-
 Ferguson
The Encyclopedia of Coun-
try Living-Emery
Merchant of Death-McNeil
Your Eco-Friendly Home-
 Davis

Adult Fiction

Backup-Butcher
Cross Country-Patterson
Divine Justice-Baldacci
Eliza's Daughter-Aiken
Extreme Measure-Flynn
Ghost at Work-Hart
Home-Robinson
Leaving Whiskey Bend-
 Garlock

Playaway Audio Books

At Home in Mitford-
 Karon
Conversation French
Damage Control-Jance
Mercy-Picoult
Comforts of a Muddy
Saturday-McCall Smith
The Last Patriot-Thor
The Other Queen-
 Gregory
The Serpent on the
Crown-Peters
Winter Moon-Koontz

Montana Sky-Roberts
Mr. Darcy's Daughter-
 Collins
Once Were Cops-Bruen
Open Season-Mayor
Salvation in Death-Robb
Silverhand-Llwelyn
Songs for the Missing-
 O'Nan
Swallowing Darkness-
 Hamilton
The Bodies Left Behind-
 Deaver
The Christmas Sweater-
 Beck
Private Patient-James
The Year's Best Fantasy
and Horror

Large Print

Divine Justice-Baldacci
Phoebe Deane-Hill
House at Riverton-
 Morton
A Mercy-Morrison
Cross Country-Patterson

Paperbacks

Dark Embrace-Joyce
Dark Temptation-Chase
Lucky Charm-Phillips
Magic and the Modern
Girl-Klasky
The Victim-Griffin
Wild Sight-McGary

DVDs

Dan in Real Life
 Get Smart
 Hellboy
 Hellboy II
 Practical Magic
 Wall-E

DVD-Series (season)

Gilmore Girls (1)
 It's Always Sunny in Phila-
 delphia (1)
 Sleepers

CD Audio Books


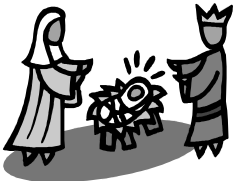


A Lion Among Men-
 Maguire
Black Powder War-
 Novik
Child 44-Smith
Children of Dune-
 Herbert
Divine Justice-Baldacci
Empire of Ivory-Novik
Ghost-Burton
His Majesty's Dragon-
 Novik

I am Potential-Hughes
Christmas Sweater-Beck
The Gate House-DeMille
Throne of Jade-Novik
Victory of Eagles-Novik





December 2008

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>2 Bedtime Stories- 6:30-7:30 PM</p>	<p>3 Preschool Story Time-10:30 Gingerbread House Story Time-3:30 YA Gingerbread House-5:00</p>	<p>4 Preschool Story Time-1:00</p>	<p>5 Tot Time- 9:30AM</p>	<p>6 Friends' Holiday Open House- 10AM-12PM</p>
<p>9 Library Trustees 4:30</p>	<p>10 Preschool Story Time-10:30 Webkinz Club- 3:30</p>	<p>11 Preschool Story Time-1:00</p>	<p>12 Tot Time- 9:30AM</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>17 Preschool Story Time-10:30</p>	<p>18 Preschool Story Time-1:00</p>	<p>19 Tot Time- 9:30AM</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24 Library closing at 2:00PM</p> 	<p>25 Christmas Day- Library Closed</p> 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>30 Child Book to Movie-3:30-5:00 YA Book to Movie-5:30-7:30</p>	<p>31 Library Closing at 5:00PM</p> 	<p>1 New Year's Day Library Closed</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>

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Library Hours

Sunday and Monday-*Closed*
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday-
9:00am-8:00pm
Friday-9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday-9:00am-2:00pm

We're on the Web!

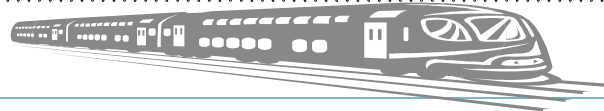
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Library Mission Statement

Meredith Public Library is the informational, educational, and cultural heart of the Meredith community. The library is a dependable source of reliable information and of challenging ideas that enlighten and enrich, and of materials in many formats that enhance leisure time and expand knowledge of current events. The library encourages the love of reading and the joy of learning, and offers the assistance people need to find, evaluate, and use electronic and print information resources that help them live successful and rewarding lives.

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 Karen Henchey. If you would like to do a program at the library please contact Erin Apostolos.



Artists at the Library

This month please be sure to stop by the glass case display in non-fiction to view Andre Garcia's collection of colonial embroidery.

In the media room please take some time to view the mixed media display of the Lakes Region Art Association.

Thank you to all artists for their time and creativity! If you have art that you would like to display please contact Karen Henchey at the Library.



Fiction Shift

You may have noticed that our fiction section no longer has mystery and science-fiction subgroups. We decided to interfile all fiction due to the fact that some authors were broken between as many as three different sections of fiction, making it difficult for patrons trying to find books by the same author. In addition we thought that patrons who may love mysteries or sci-fi by a particular author may also enjoy reading books that author may have written in other genres. Please be aware that our fiction is still labeled with genre stickers for browsing.

Donations

If you're fall cleaning and are wondering what to do with your extra books, DVDs, videocassettes, or audio books please consider donating them to the library. All items published less than five years ago except for textbooks, magazines and encyclopedia sets will be accepted. What the library doesn't add to the collection will be sold at the next book sale. Thank you! In addition if you have any old clothes or costumes please think about donating them for our costume room.