Library Mission Statement

The Meredith Public Library’s mission is to be the educational, inspirational and cultural heart of Meredith now and in the future. Through exceptional staff, a broad range of materials and a supportive community, the library provides innovative service to meet the needs of the 21st century patron.

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 displaying artwork please ask for Linda Hough. If you would like to present a program at the library please contact Erin Apostolos.

Senior Center Tech

Meets Fridays Feb 5 and 19th at 9AM via Zoom.

Email chris@meredithlibrary.org for an invitation.

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.)

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 request a book we can download for you.

Cozy Winter Reading Program Begins

As the cold weather settles in this month, take the opportunity to curl up under a blanket with your favorite book and maybe win some amazing prizes in the process! This month we offer winter reading for all ages.

In the Children’s Room, pick up a reading log and/or a Warm and Fuzzy Bingo Sheet. Complete your reading log for a prize and a Bingo on your Bingo sheet for another one! There will also be weekly raffles and take-home crafts.

At the Circulation Desk, adults can take a Hygge Tic-Tac-Toe sheet. Hygge, Pronounced “hoo-ga,” is a Danish concept that encompasses a feeling of coziness. Turn in as many completed sheets as you like but you may only win once. We will be doing a drawing every Friday in February for a Hygge Gift Basket. “X” out three in a row either across, down or diagonally for a Tic-Tac-Toe.

For Teens, visit the Children’s Room or the bulletin board in the hall to pick up your “War of the Worlds” Bingo sheet. Mr. John is doing a Classic Books Bingo this year and every month or so a new Bingo sheet will be available. Turn in your sheet and collect a button for each theme.

All sheets are available from our Website www.meredithlibrary.org. Hover your mouse over “Events” and click on “Winter-Reading” for more information and to download the sheets.

February 2021
Winter Reading 2021
Starting January 26, you may pick up your winter reading log. For every reading log you fill, you will receive a prize! We also have warm & fuzzy bingo sheets this year. Get 5 in a row and receive another prize. There will be weekly raffles and special winterly crafts.

This program is for all children and runs from January 26 until March 5.

To sign up visit the children’s room or call the library at (603) 279-4303 or contact Miss Karen at karen@meredithlibrary.org.

Reading logs and bingo sheets are available to print from the children’s web page, curbside pick up or children’s room. You may do as many reading logs and bingo sheets as you like. The more you read, the more prizes you get.

Have fun!

Join Miss Karen on the front lawn of the library for story time on the following Wednesdays, Feb. 3, 10, 17, & 24, from 11:00 to 12:00!

Please make a reservation as we can only have 15 children with their grownups! Come prepared, if it is super cold or rainy, story time will be cancelled! Bring a sled, chair, blanket, and wear your outside gear!

Let’s read stories, play in the snow and have a craft to go! Please bring your own snack!

Story Hike!

Hike into Swasey Park and enjoy "The Wish Tree" by Kyo Maclear. Story will be up from January 13 to February 16. Swasey Park is on High St., across from the Meredith post office, go up the hill and it is on the right! Enjoy this short, easy walk. Fun for all ages!

Story Hike Passport

Stop by the library and pick up your story hike passport. Then start visiting our story hikes. Bring your passport to the children’s room and receive a stamp. After you get 3 stamps you may have a prize! If you visited Swasey Park and read "Henry Hikes to Fitchburg" and "The Mitten" this past year you may receive stamps in your passport.

Friday Storytime Hike!

February 26 from 11:00 to 12:00

Meet Miss Karen on the front lawn of the library and hike to Swasey Park to read "Dex, the Heart of a Hero" by Caralyn Buehner.

Dexter the dog is so little that Cleevis the tomcat bullies him. But little Dex has big dreams. He wants to be a superhero. Join us and find out what happens to Dexter. We will read the story, play in Swasey Park, receive a craft to go and have fun with friends.

WEAR YOUR WINTER GEAR!

Please bring your own snacks and drinks.

Over 3000 Free eMagazines Now Available!

Have you taken advantage of the access to thousands of free eMagazines via Overdrive yet? This access is only available until July 2021 so don’t miss out. Visit https://nh.overdrive.com/ and click on Collections. Under magazines click on “See all” at the bottom right of the page. Browse by categories including Crafts & Hobbies, Home & Garden, Food & Wine, Health & Fitness, Celebrity, Travel, News, Kids & Teens, Technology, Fashion, Cooking & Food and more. There are international and foreign language magazines as well. Want to see all available titles? Use Advanced Search to search just by format “Overdrive Magazines”. You can then use the limiters on the left to narrow by category, age or language or simply browse through all of the titles. After clicking on a title, you can click on “Select Another Issue” to see older dates.

You can read them on your PC or use the Libby App to read them on your phone or tablet. Please call us if you have any problems.

Streaming Services

Have you tried our streaming services yet? AcornTV for all your British TV needs and The Great Courses. Learn how to draw, do yoga, write a novel and so much more! Go to www.meredithlibrary.org and click on the “Catalogs” Tab then “RBDIGITAL”. You will need your library card number to access. Please call us if you have problems with access.
New Adult Items
(ask for the full list at the desk)

**Fiction**
- Abdullah-Take it back
- Audrain-The push
- Bartele-All that we carried
- Browning-Shadow ridge
- Clark-Puzzling ink
- Conrad-Fixer’s daughter
- Dell-The chicken sisters
- Delany-A curious incident
- Gardner-Before she disappeared
- Golden-Red hands
- Gosling-Before the ruins
- Johnson-Yellow ink
- Lee-As the stars fall
- O’Brien-The bad sister
- Preston-Scorpion’s Tail
- Pronzi-Paradise affair
- Raman-A will to kill
- Sanders-Bait & witch
- Schwarz-What could be saved
- Smith-Nick
- Stewart-Dear Miss Kopp
- Taylor-One last child
- Walker-Hope, Faith & a corpse

**Nonfiction**
- Allen-Plain & simple
- Calabrese-Growing mindful
- Dass-Being Ram Dass
- Draper-To start a war
- Fishman-Deduct it
- Hanley-Ghost flames
- Holmes-The Byzantine World War
- Keillor-That time of year
- Kim-Single
- Kross-Chatter
- Olszewski-Undercover epicenter nurse
- Pearson-The Eagles of Heart Mountain
- Rothkoff-Traitor
- Zucchinio-Wilmington’s lie

**DVDs-Movies**
- The war with Grandpa
- The Crown–Season 3
- Perry Mason(2020)–Season 1

**Audio books-Fiction**
- Archer-Hidden in plain sight
- Cameron-Shadow of the dragon
- Clements-Eyes of the Queen
- Kidd-The book of longings
- Mccall Smith-How to raise an elephant
- Perry-Eddie’s boy
- Silva-The Order
- Woods-Hush-Hush

**Audio books-NonFiction**
- Mccallany-The killer’s shadow

**Large Print**
- Cornwall-Spin
- Kingsbury-Someone like you
- Krentz-All the colors of the night
- Michaels-Bitter pill

**Mystery Book Group**
- Acqua Alta by Donna Leon
  Thursday, February 11, 10:30AM

Copies will be available for pickup at the circulation desk. The group will be meeting via Zoom. Please email mathew@meredithlibrary.org for a link.

From GoodReads: “Donna Leon’s growing American fan base is hungry for more of the books from her internationally bestselling series featuring Commissario Guido Brunetti. Now in what many consider one of the finest in the series, Venice braces for the onslaught of “acqua alta”-the rising waters from torrential rain. But Brunetti has his own problems, beginning with the savage beating of an old friend. When a man’s body is discovered, Brunetti must wade through the chaos to solve one of his deadliest cases. Full of marvelous plot twists, “Acqua Alta” is a chilling addition to Donna Leon’s addictive series.”

**Brown Bag Book Group**
Thursday Feb. 25, Noon

1491: New Revelations of the America’s Before Columbus by Charles C. Mann. We will be meeting via Zoom. Please email erin@meredithlibrary.org for an invitation.

In this groundbreaking work of science, history, and archaeology, Mann radically alters our understanding of the Americas before the arrival of Columbus in 1492. Contrary to what so many Americans learn in school, the pre-Columbian Indians were not sparsely settled in a pristine wilderness; rather, there were huge numbers of Indians who actively molded and influenced the land around them.

The astonishing Aztec capital of Tenochtitlan had running water and immaculately clean streets, and was larger than any contemporary European city. Mexican cultures created corn in a specialized breeding process that it has been called man’s first feat of genetic engineering. Indeed, Indians were not living lightly on the land but were landscaping and manipulating their world in ways that we are only now beginning to understand.

**Social Gaming**

After a year of social isolation throughout the country, many find comfort gaming with family and friends at home or online. From Dungeons & Dragons to Bridge, people of all ages can share laughs and conversation over the Internet while playing a favorite game from the comfort of their pajamas. Did you know the library has games for Playstation, XBox and Nintendo Switch? Some can be played alone, with a friend and/or over the Internet.

First appearing in Donkey Kong in 1981, Mario has come a long way in forty years. Yes, folks, FORTY years. Can you believe it? Mario’s games never get old. We currently have nine games for Switch, nine for XBox, and fourteen for Playstation. Browse our collection. We are happy to accept requests for games to add to the collection. Have a game you are no longer playing for Playstation 4, Nintendo Switch or Xbox One? Please consider donating them to the library.
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### New Books Coming in February:
- Spider-Man: Bloodlines
- The Iron Raven (The Iron Fey: Evenfall #1)
- Nubia: Real One
- I survived the Nazi Invasion (graphic novel)
- Stick Dog Takes Out Sushi
- The Year I Flew Away