Meredith Public Library

May 2008

Of Interest...

Beginning June 3 the library will be changing its hours! We will be open:
Tues-Thurs 9-8
Fridays 9-5
Saturdays 9-2
Sundays and Mondays Closed

Meredith Library has launched its new website with many exciting features. Click on “Catalog Search” to access our catalog from home. Using your library card number you can access your account to see what you have out and on reserve. Also you can reserve items from home. Search for any item and then click on “locations” to see where it is located on shelf. Then click on the “Reserve” button to reserve it from home. The library will call you when the item is available. Please note, even if the item says it is checked in it may be on the reserve shelf for someone else. So please wait for a call from the library before picking up your item.

Now you can also check-out and download audio books from home. Click on “Download an Audio Book” from the left hand menu to access this feature. You only need your Meredith Library Card to checkout the books. Be sure to click on the “New to Audio Books?” link on the right side of that screen to get all the important directions on downloading, burning books to CD or transferring them to an MP3 player.

Also from the left menu you can access the databases provided to us by the State of New Hampshire library. Find biographies, genealogy information, health and business resources, newspaper and magazine databases, homework help, information on novels and many other useful resources. In order to access these databases from home you will need the following passwords:

Biography
Username: Meredith
Password: nhais

EBSCO
Username: Meredith
Password: 03253

Heritage Quest
Username: 0N662GJX4Q
Password: welcome

NewsBank
Username and Password: ra-meredith

Be sure to browse our site to find up-to-date information on events at the library, information on joining the Friends of the Meredith Library, upcoming book group titles, a copy of the most recent newsletter to download and information targeted towards kids and teens.

www.meredithlibrary.org
New Highlighted Books

E (easy/everybody section)

Dimity Dumpty: The Story of Humpty's Little Sister by Bob Graham-Dimity is shy and does not like the spotlight that the rest of her circus family enjoys especially her reckless brother, Humpty. When Humpty take his antics too far it is Dimity that has to save him but will anyone listen?

T. Rex and the Mother's Day Hug by Lois G. Grambling-T. Rex loves his mother very much but every mother's day he gives her a gift that makes her brow fold. He tried wallpapering the dining room, he tried redecorating the living room but nothing was quite right. Will T. Rex find the perfect gift to give to his mother? Read and find out.

May Programs

May Day Celebration- Thursday, May 1st at 3:30-May pole dance and Kinder Choir performance with crown project and snack to follow. Open to all!

Afternoon Adventures
Ride down the river!-Thursday, 5/15th at 3:30. Read stories, paint river rocks & eat snack. Open to ages: 4-10

B-I-N-G-O for Books!
Play bingo and win books Thursday, 5/29th at 3:30. Ages: 4-12 with snacks provided.

Preschool Story Time
Every Weds. & Thurs. at 10:30-Stories & more for kids 2-5yrs

We are looking for Australian/New Zealand items to display around the library. Have you traveled to Australia and want to show off your pictures? Do you play the digeridoo? Can you sing Australian folk songs? We are also looking to learn about weaving wool into yarn which is one of Australia's big exports. Do you know anyone who could demonstrate the process to a group of kids?

Cool Websites

kids.nationalgeographic.com
Check out this website and explore games, movies, stories and activities about people and animals all over the world. If you like what you see come and check out the magazine National Geographic for kids at the library.

www.allterrainbrain.org
This website speaks to young entrepreneur with fun brain teasers, puzzles and self-discovery quizzes.
**May Book Groups**

*Thursday Morning Group*  
May 8, 10:30-12:00—Join Judy as she and her group discuss *Touching the Void* by Joe Simpson. It is the true story of one man’s miraculous survival.

*Thursday Evening Group*  
May 29, 7:00pm—Join Erin as she and her group discuss *Wicked* by Gregory Maguire. In Maguire's Oz, Elphaba, better known as the Wicked Witch of the West, is not wicked; nor is she a formally schooled witch. Instead, she's an insecure, unfortunately green Munchkinlander who's willing to take radical steps to unseat the tyrannical Wizard of Oz.

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**Reception for New Library Director**

The reception for our new library director Erin Apostolos has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 3 from 11:00-1:00, hosted by the Meredith Public Library Trustees. Please stop by to meet Erin and some of the library trustees and share in refreshments.

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**Friends of the Library Update and Book Sale Information**

On Saturday May 17 from 9-4 the library will be having a book sale in our function room! Danielle Scott, President of the Friends of the Meredith Library will be there to promote membership in the Friends group. With every membership each person will get a Friends canvas tote bag with a ten-book capacity. If you purchase your membership at the sale you can use your tote and fill it with book sale books free of charge! There are three membership levels: $15.00 individual, $25.00 family and $50.00 business. Checks can be made out to Friends of the Meredith Library.

The Friends regular meeting will be on Wednesday, May 7 at 6:00pm. Joining the Friends does not mean you have to attend the meetings but you are more than welcome to do so. We are looking for volunteers to assist in book sales, homebound service to the elderly and disabled and other services. If you can’t make the meetings please contact the library for more details at 279-4303.

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**Genealogy Resources**

Click on “Genealogy” from www.meredithlibrary.org to access Heritage Quest, an online databases accessible from home.

Username: 0N662GJX4Q Password: welcome

With over 25,000 books, the entire U.S. Federal Census, PERSI™, and other expanding collections, HeritageQuest Online provides access to one of the largest collections of genealogy material in the country.

Also on the Meredith library Genealogy page be sure to click on NH STATE LIBRARY’S BEST ONLINE HISTORY AND GENEALOGY RESOURCES link for NH related genealogy, general and geographical websites.
New Items

### Adult Fiction
- *Adam* by Ted Dekker
- *Before They Are Hanged* by Joe Abercrombie
- *Black Ships* by Jo Graham
- *Blue-Eyed Devil* by Lisa Kleypas
- *Bound* by Sally Gunning
- *Capitol Conspiracy* by William Bernhardt
- *Compulsion* by Jonathan Kellerman
- *Deep Dish* by Mary Kay Andrews
- *Hold Tight* by Harlan Coben
- *Ice Trap* by Kitty Sewell
- *Lost Souls* by Lisa Jackson
- *Lush Life* by Richard Price
- *The Third Angel* by Alice Hoffman
- *Unaccustomed Earth* by Jhumpa Lahiri
- *Wicked City* by Ace Atkins

### Adult Non-Fiction
- *Ain’t My America* by Bill Kauffman
- *The Boston Red Sox* by Mark Stewart
- *Climate Confusion* by Roy W. Spencer
- *Dissent in America* by Various Artists
- *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch
- *A New Earth* by Eckhart Tolle
- *Prison Profiteers* by Jimmy Carter
- *The Reason for God* by Timothy J. Keller
- *A Remarkable Mother* by Timothy J. Keller
- *Summer Camps, 2008 Directory* by David Hajdu
- *The Ten-Cent Plague* by David Hajdu
- *The Way Toys Work* by Ed Sobey
- *Union Oyster House Cookbook* by Jean Kerr
- *We Would Have Played for Nothing* by Fay Vincent

### Adult DVD’s

#### Feature Films
- *American Gangster*
- *The Assassination of Jesse James*
- *Atonement*
- *August Rush*
- *Beowulf*
- *Gone Baby Gone*
- *Hairspray*
- *I Am Legend*
- *Into the Wild*
- *Jane Austen Book Club*
- *Juno*
- *No Country for Old Men*
- *Patton*
- *The Simpsons Movie*
- *Sweeney Todd*
- *The Water Horse*

#### Series (season #)
- *House*: 3rd
- *Rome*: 2nd
- *Six Feet Under*: 5th
- *The Sopranos*: 6th
- *The Tudors*: 1st
- *24*: 5th

### Audio Books-Playaways
- *American Creation* by Joseph J. Ellis
- *The Art of Raising a Puppy* by Monks of New Skete
- *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer
- *The Broker* by John Grisham
- *The Book of the Dead* by Douglas Preston
- *Culture Warrior* by Bill O’Reilly
- *The Golden Compass* by Philip Pullman
- *The Lincoln Lawyer* by Michael Connelly
- *You On A Walk* by Michael Roizen
- *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People (8th Habit)* by Stephen Covey

### DVD’s Coming Soon
- *Before the Devil Knows You’re Dead*
- *Bones* (2nd season)
- *Brother Cadfael Series*
- *Charlie Wilson’s War*
- *Deadwood* (1st season)
- *The Golden Compass*
- *In the Valley of Elah*
- *The Kite Runner*
- *There Will Be Blood*
- *We Own The Night*
Erin’s Pick-Games of Thrones by George R.R. Martin-This intriguing novel focuses mainly around the noble family of the Northern Kingdom, the Starks. When Ned Stark is asked to be the Hand of the King, he uncovers truths about the Seven Kingdoms that puts his life and those of his family in peril.

The novel begins in Winterfell, home of the Starks and each chapter focuses around a different character. We learn that Ned and Caitlin Stark are honorable to a flaw. Their sons Robb, heir to Winterfell, Bran and Rickon, even at a young age, understand how important honor is to the family. Their two daughters, Sansa (enchanted by all things pretty and nice) and Arya (classic tomboy) also understand their duties as Starks. Ned’s bastard son, Jon, is raised among Ned’s other children, but is deeply resented by Caitlin and is eventually sent to defend “the Wall”, a large, dark fortress built to keep evil beings out of the Seven Kingdoms. At first Jon is bitter about this, but eventually excels at life as a member of the Black.

Ned’s journey to the southern lands as the king’s Hand proves dangerous. When his son Bran is crippled in a mysterious fall just before the journey is set to begin, the mood is set for many dark things to befall the Starks.

As Ned is adjusting to life as the King’s Hand, a second story is taking place in a kingdom far across the ocean. The rightful heir to the throne whose father was usurped years ago has struck a bargain with the horse lord Khal Drogo. The Khal is given the heir’s sister as his bride and in return promises the heir his crown. At first life as a horse lord’s wife is hard on Dany, but she flourishes and seems to find her own strength as a leader.

Another character that is a very unlikely hero is Tyrion, dwarf brother to the Queen of the Seven Kingdoms. With a sharp wit and knack for seeing people very clearly, he uses his brain to overcome his body’s shortcomings. Throughout the novel you can’t help but like the character, but also you get the feeling you’re rooting for the bad guy.

First in the series, this book keeps the pages turning. Scheming, plotting and political intrigue makes this not your typical fantasy series. Very rich character development with very little stereotypical fantasy scenarios makes this a must-read for all fans of fantasy.

### New Young Adult Books

- **Anything but Ordinary** by Valerie Hobbs
- **Bec** by Darren Shan
- **Bone by Bone by Bone** by Tony Johnston
- **Coal Black Horse** by Robert Olmstead
- **Gym Candy** by Carl Deuker
- **Horizons** by Mary Rosenblum
- **Hurricane** by Terry Trueman
- **Kluzhood** by Chris McMaker
- **Miracle Whip** by Erik Kraft
- **Mississippi Jack** by L. A. Meyer
- **Mouse Guard: Fall 1152** by David Petersen

### Art on Display

This month we have artist Janet Sanguedolce displaying her work in mixed batik pieces as well as drawing and acrylic paintings in the media room.

Are you an artist who would like to display at the library? We have a display case for smaller pieces and a wall in the media room for larger works. Please contact Karen Henchey at 279-4303 to set up a time to display your work.
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Library Hours

Sunday and Monday-Closed
Tuesday and Wednesday-10:00am-8:00pm
Thursday-8:00am-8:00pm
Friday-8:00am-5:00pm
Saturday-10:00am-2:00pm

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.

Needful Things

The library needs a few things and if you have any of these items at home that are no longer needed maybe you will consider donating them to the library. Please call us at 279-4303 before bringing anything down just in case someone else has already donated it.

Australian Items-This year’s Summer Reading Program’s theme is Australia. Jessie, our Children’s Librarian is looking for any items people may wish to donate or loan to her for the summer that are Australian related. Have you been to Australia, took some great photos and wish to give a little presentation on your trip? Please call the library and ask for Jessie to arrange this.

Costumes for the costume room-Maybe you worked hours on your child’s Halloween or play costume and hate to see it hanging in the closet because he or she has outgrown it. Perhaps you have some outrageous outfits from your younger days you’d like to forget you ever bought. That sombrero you purchased on your last cruise was fun in Cozumel by not very fashionable in Meredith. Well, the library will be happy to accept costume donations for the costume room. Please leave them at the front desk.

Clothes Rack-Our costume room could use another clothes rack. These are the types of racks you may see dresses hanging on in a store.