

Meredith Library News

May 2009

May Events

Library Hours:

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



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Thank goodness spring is here at last! And to celebrate the children will be having a May Day Celebration on Friday, **May 1 from 3:30-4:30PM**. Come and dance around the May pole and listen to the Kinder Choir concert! Snack and craft to follow. For children of all ages.

Ask the Builder, Tim Carter returns on Thursday **May 7 from 6:30-8:00PM**. At Tim's last visit we learned the best methods to stop a leaky roof, clean a moldy basement, fix plumbing issues and a host of other topics. Nearly all questions were generated by the audience and everyone left feeling ready to tackle their DIY projects. This time Tim will share tips with you about world's best deck sealer with nano-technology,

best exterior paint, shed-building tips and much more! Refreshments will be served and a good time will be had by all.

Tuesday, May 12 at 4:30 the Library Trustees will be meeting.

The Webkinz Club will be meeting on **Wednesday May 13 from 3:30-4:30PM** with a special visit from Linda Morgan who will teach a Tell-and-Draw Workshop. Sign-up is requested.

Our Friday matinee continues in May with *Last Chance Harvey* on Friday, **May 22 from 1:30-3:15PM**. In this classic romantic comedy, Dustin Hoffman and Emma Thompson's socially awkward characters strike-up an unlikely relationship. Rated PG-13. Popcorn and soda will be served.

The Friends of the Meredith Library will be meeting on **Wednesday, May 27, at 3:00PM**.

The First Annual Meredith Public Library Art Show opening will be on **Thursday, May 28 from 5:00-7:00PM**. Featuring the work of the Inter-lake's High School. Students as well as homeschoolers from Sandwich, Center Harbor and Meredith are welcome to participate. There will be five categories of competition including drawing, photography, painting, ceramics and sculpture. Each student will be allowed to enter two pieces. Refreshments will be served and awards will be presented at that time.





"From The Clock Tower"

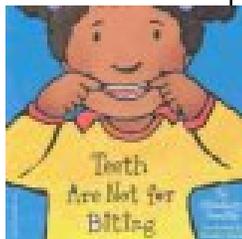
MPL Children's Room



New Highlighted Books!

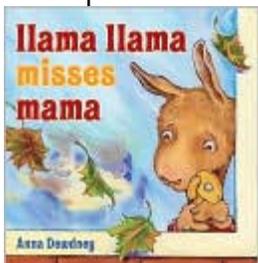
Teeth Are Not for Biting
By: Elizabeth Verdick

Introduce your young ones to important lessons through this clear concise series including *Clean Up Time* and *Hands Are not for Hitting*.



Llama, Llama Misses Mama
By: Anna Dewdney

Dewdney's calming llama series are great lesson books for pre-school and toddlers alike. In this book Llama starts pre-school and is scared and sad to leave his mama but as you would hope he learns that school can be fun and that Mama always comes back.



How to Talk to Moms
BY ALEC GREVEN

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By: Alec Greven

Alec taught us how to talk to girls and this 10 year old is back to give you his advice on moms and next month dads. Alec puts it all into perspective when he says that sometimes your mom seems like the most wonderful person in the world and sometimes it seems that she wants to ruin your life but really it's both. Laugh and learn with this fun new title.

New Juvenile AV Materials

- *Leap Frog Learning* DVDs
- *Eyewitness Reptile, Mammal, Shark, Arctic* DVDs
- *Dora's First Ride* DVD
- *Grace's Bell-Ben* Rudnick & Friends CD
- *Come on, get Happy—Daddy a Go Go* CD

Special Children's Programs

Tot time: Every Friday at 9:30 For ages: 1-3 with stories, songs and fun!

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays at 10:30am & Thursdays at 1pm. For ages 3-5 with stories, songs & projects!

Bedtime Stories

On the first Tuesday evening of every month at 6:30pm for Ages: 3-8 on May 5 & June 2.

Webkinz Club

Second Wednesday of every month at 3:30 for Ages: 5-9 on May 13 & June 10th. In May we will make tell and draw stories with Mrs. Morgan!





Thursday Evening Book Group-May 28, 7:00-8:30PM. ***Can't Wait to Get to Heaven*** by Fannie Flagg. Combining southern warmth with unabashed emotion and side-splitting hilarity, Fannie Flagg takes readers back to Elmwood Springs, Missouri, where the most unlikely and surprising experiences of a high-spirited octogenarian in-

spire a town to ponder the age-old question: Why are we here?

Life is the strangest thing. One minute, Mrs. Elner Shimfissle is up in her tree, picking figs, and the next thing she knows, she is off on an adventure she never dreamed of, running into people she never in a million years expected to meet. Meanwhile, back home, Elner's nervous, high-strung niece Norma faints and winds up in bed with a cold rag on her head; Elner's neighbor Verbena rushes

immediately to the Bible; her truck driver friend, Luther Griggs, runs his eighteen-wheeler into a ditch—and the entire town is thrown for a loop and left wondering, "What is life all about, anyway?" Except for Tot Whooten, who owns Tot's Tell It Like It Is Beauty Shop. Her main concern is that the end of the world might come before she can collect her social security.

In this comedy-mystery, those near and dear to Elner discover something wonderful: Heaven is actually right here, right now, with people you love, neighbors you help, friendships you keep. *Can't Wait to Get to Heaven* is proof once more that Fannie Flagg "was put on this earth to write" (Southern Living), spinning tales as sweet and refreshing as iced tea on a summer day, with a little extra kick thrown in.



Next month the group will be reading *The Lady Elizabeth* by Alison Weir.

**Please note, the Thursday morning book group is on hiatus until June.*

Friends of the Library Update

The Friends held their annual meeting April 22, 2009. This meeting marks the first year of our organization. We thank all members for their support and hope you will continue to help the library by renewing your membership. Renewal envelopes were mailed last week. The following officers were elected to serve another year: Danielle Scott, President; Anne Whiting, Secretary; and Barbara Clark, Treasurer. We still have a need for a Vice President!! Anyone interested please call Danielle Scott at 472-2616 for details.

Join us at our upcoming book sale, Saturday, May 16th from 9 am to 4 pm at the library.

We have a large selection of hardcover, paperbacks, audio books, children's books, CD's and DVD's. Proceeds will support the 2009 Library Summer Reading Program.

Upcoming events:

- **Book Sale, Saturday, May 16, 2009 ; 9am to 4pm**
- **Friends of the Meredith Library Meeting, Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 3:00 PM**

Teens and 'Tweens Page

Ages 10-17

Book Review-Karen's Pick



The Goodbye Time by Celeste Conway-Twelve-year old Anna loves her life. She loves her book designer mom and professor dad; her genius brother, Tom; and their cozy apartment on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. But more than anything, Anna loves her best friend, Katie.

They share everything, from secrets about boys to Katie's worries about her single mom raising her older brother, who is severely mentally disabled.

Katie's brother has a violent episode and must go live in a facility where no one he loves will be around. Soon Katie is angry with Anna, claiming that Anna has it easy and can't understand what Katie's going through.

Join Anna and Katie in the *Goodbye Time* and find out what happens to their friendship.

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New Titles

Wintergirls by Lauri Anderson

Hunted by P.C. Cast

Tomorrow Code by Brian Faulkner

Lab by Jack Heath

Black Dragon Code X by R.D. Henham

Warrior Princess by Frewin Jones

Three Cups of Tea {young readers edition}

By Greg Mortenson

Inconvenient Truth The Crises of Global warming by Albert Gore

Native Tongue by Shannon Greenland

My Almost Epic Summer by Adele Griffin

Palace of Mirrors by Margaret Haddix

Center of the Universe yep that Would Be Me by Anita Liberty

Devils Paintbox by Victoria McKernan

Shazam The Monster Society of Evil by Jeff Smith (graphic novel)



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May 2009

Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Tot Time-9:30AM May Day-3:30PM	2
5 Bedtime Stories- 6:30PM	6 Preschool Story Time-10:30AM	7 Preschool Story Time-1:00PM DIY Workshop- 6:30PM	8 Tot Time-9:30	9
12 Trustees-4:30PM	13 Preschool Story Time-10:30AM Knitters-10:30AM Webkinz-3:30PM	14 Preschool Story Time-1:00PM	15 Tot Time-9:30	16
19	20 Preschool Story Time-10:30AM	21 Preschool Story Time-1:00PM	22 Tot Time-9:30 Last Chance Har- vey-1:30PM	23
26	27 Preschool Story Time-10:30AM Knitters-10:30AM Friends Meeting- 3:00PM	28 Preschool Story Time-1:00PM Art Show- 5:00PM Book Group- 7:00PM	29 Tot Time-9:30	30

New Adult Items

(ask for the full list at the desk)

Fiction

- **First Family**-Baldacci
- **Borderline**-Barr
- **Rogue Forces**-Brown
- **Malice**-Jackson
- **Deadlock**-Johansen
- **Language of Bees**-King
- **Tea Time for the Traditionally Built**-McCall Smith
- **8th Confession**-Patterson
- **Geometry of Sisters**-Rice
- **Venetian Judgment**-Stone

Non-Fiction

- **Volunteer Vacations**
- **Engaging the Muslim World**
- **Liberty and Tyranny**
- **How Lincoln Learned to Read**
- **Moonshot: flight of Apollo 11**
- **Beekeeping for Dummies**
- **Living Off the Grid**
- **Hungry Girl**
- **Cut Your Energy Bills Now**
- **Me Cheeta**
- **Gold, Naked**

DVDs

- **Doubt**
- **Frost/Nixon**
- **Marley & Me**
- **Seven Pounds**
- **Slumdog Millionaire**
- **Tell No One**
- **Twilight**
- **The Wrestler**
- TV Series (season)
- **Breaking Bad (1)**
- **Dexter (2)**
- **Lost (1)**
- **Midsomer Murders (12)**
- **Sex and the City (3)**

Sponsor a Best Seller and Birthday Book Club

The library is starting two new programs in May: Sponsor a Best Seller and Birthday Book Club. To sponsor a best-seller, pick your favorite author and agree to purchase their latest book every time one is released. The library will purchase the book at a discount and then bill you for it after the fact. In exchange you will be the first to read the best-seller and a Library Lover's bookplate in your name will

be placed into each book.

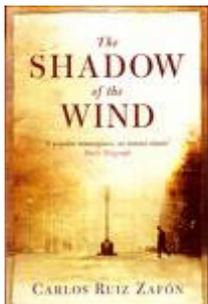
Our other program is Birthday Book Club, which is open to all ages. During your birthday month please come to the library and pick from a list books to donate in your name for your birthday. We will insert a Birthday Book Club book plate into the book in your name and you will be the first to read the book.

We ask that patrons do not

purchase books for Birthday Book Club and bring them to the library to avoid purchasing duplicates.

We continue to allow patrons to donate books in memory of loved ones. Please speak to a librarian about your book choice and we can order it for you at a discount. We will then place a book plate in the book with your loved one's name it.

Book Review



Erin's Pick-*Shadow of the Wind* by Carlos Ruiz Zafón

When Daniel Sempere is ten-years-old, his father, a respected bookseller, takes him to the Cemetery of Forgotten Books for the first time. He is told to choose one book and adopt it for the rest of his life, promising to protect it forever. He is also asked to keep the secret of the Cemetery. As he winds his way around the labyrinth of book shelves that seem to extend for miles, one book finally calls out to him. *The Shadow of the Wind* by Julian Carax. Daniel takes the book home and reads it over and over again, completely drawn into the story of a man searching for his real father.

After a time he decides to search for the rest of Carax's novels to read. But what he soon discovers shocks him. Carax's novels are all but impossible to find because someone is going around and burning every copy in existence. What follows is a life-long search for Daniel to discover why Carax's books are being burned and who is burning them.

When Daniel is sixteen he is confronted by a man with no

face who demands Daniel's copy of *Shadow of the Wind*, but Daniel refuses. Worried that something may happen to it, Daniel returns *Shadow of the Wind* to the Cemetery of Forgotten Books, marking his way through the maze so that he may find it again later.

On the night he meets the faceless man, Daniel also meets what turns out to be a life-long friend, Fermin Romero de Torres. A beggar befriended by Daniel and his father, Fermin soon begins working at Daniel's father's bookshop and is surprisingly very good at tracking down titles patrons request. Daniel sees this as an opportunity to ask Fermin to help him discover what happened to Julian Carax and his books.

As Fermin and Daniel get closer and closer to the truth over the years, they find themselves deeper and deeper in trouble, eventually drawing the ire of the infamous inspector Javier Fumero. Since this novel is set just after the Spanish Civil War, it is a time of darkness and upheaval when men such as Fumero thrive. Fumero makes it his quest to destroy Fermin and

Daniel though just what the connection is between the men and Julian Carax remains to be discovered.

A story of mystery, friendship, and even some romance the *Shadow of the Wind* is a rich novel that will greatly reward the reader.

Be sure to read the sequel *The Angel's Game* available June 16, 2009. In an abandoned mansion at the heart of Barcelona, a young man, David Martín, makes his living by writing sensationalist novels under a pseudonym. The survivor of a troubled childhood, he has taken refuge in the world of books and spends his nights spinning baroque tales about the city's underworld. But perhaps his dark imaginings are not as strange as they seem, for in a locked room deep within the house lie photographs and letters hinting at the mysterious death of the previous owner.

If you liked this then try:

The Secret of Lost Things by Sheridan Hay-Rosemary takes a job at a used and rare bookstore run by the gruff Mr. Pike and becomes caught up in the search for a long-lost Melville manuscript.

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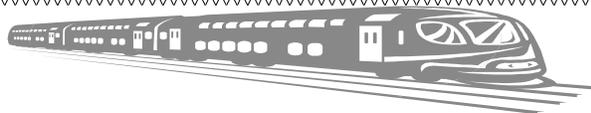
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Friday-*9:00am-5:00pm*
Saturday-*9:00am-2:00pm*

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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.



Tidbits

Art on Display in the Library

The "Stamp Man" is doing a display of Air Mail stamps in our Art Case in the Non-Fiction Room.

In the media room we are preparing for our First Annual Art Show being displayed May 22.

Helium Tank

Did you know that the library has a helium tank you may use for free? Bring in your party balloons and fill them up!

Books on Display in the Library

May is National Barbecue Month. After this very long, snowy and cold winter why not browse for some new recipes for the grill? It is also Photograph Month. Be sure to check out our book display on photography in the reading room. It is also National Bike Month. Be sure to check out some books on bike trails and repairs. On our mantel we have a "We Love Our Animals" display and in fiction we have started a "Staff Picks" display.

Donations

If you're cleaning and are wondering what to do with your extra books, DVDs, videocassettes, or audio books please consider donating them to the library. All donations except for textbooks older than two years, magazines and encyclopedia sets are accepted. What the library doesn't add to the collection will be sold at the book sale. Also if you have any lightly used costumes or vintage clothing looking for a home please consider donating them to our costume room. We also need wire hangers.