November Highlights

Lakes Region Reads wraps up Saturday, November 6 with a free Lakes Region Big Band concert at the Tilton Veteran’s Home at 2:00PM. This is open to the public. Thank you to everyone who read The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society and visited our numerous World War II related events in the area. We hope you had a chance to see author Annie Barrows at the Inter-Lakes High School. She was a fabulous story teller and spent a lot of time answering questions from fans of the book. Nearly 300 people attended. The event was recorded and we will be releasing information on where the event can be viewed as soon as it’s available.

We welcome our newest and youngest library patrons at First Grade Night on Wednesday, November 10 from 4:00-6:00PM. Pick up your first library card, tour the library, listen to stories, make crafts and eat celebratory food!

Our Read/Eat-a-Thon will be on Tuesday, November 23 from 5:00-7:00PM. We will have one group for ages 6-9 and another for ages 10 and over. Read for a while, eat pizza, read some more, eat some more! Bring a good book (or pick one out here) and a cozy blanket, pillow or sleeping bag.

Finally, we welcome Dr. Charles A. Kennedy for a lecture Tuesday, November 30 from 6:30-8:00PM on A Short Course in Islam for Non-Muslims. The foundation of Western civilization rests on three faiths—Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The interaction between and among these systems of belief continues to impinge on events in daily life and politics on the world stage and in our communities. Discuss the major similarities and crucial differences among Islam, Christianity and Judaism. A NH Humanities Council Program.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!
New Highlighted Books!

Olivia in Venice
By: Ian Falconer
Olivia, the fancy trouble maker is at it again when her family goes on a trip to Venice, Italy. Gelato is one of Olivia's favorite finds but that is not the only thing she discovers. Read the book to discover for yourself.

Justin Bieber: First Step 2 Forever: My Story
Read about this world-wide teen idol in his own words.

Children's Programs

Tot Time
Every Friday at 9:30
For ages: 1-3
Sign-up is helpful.

Preschool Story Time
Every Wednesday at 10:30am and every Thursday at 1:00pm. For ages 3-5.

Lego Club at 3:30 on every other Wednesday. For ages 6 and up with no sign-up. 11/3, 11/17, 12/1, 12/15

First Grade Night to celebrate the newest library patrons! Drop in on Wednesday, 11/10 any time from 4-6pm to pick up cards, take tours, read stories, make projects and eat snacks!

Saturday Drop in Crafts all day on 11/13 and 11/27. For all ages with no sign-up!

Read-a-thon/Eat-a-thon on Tuesday 11/23 from 5-7pm for readers ages 6-9 and 10 and up. Read and eat and read and eat! Sign up in advance.
Mystery Book Group- Thursday, November 4, 10:30-12:00PM Half Moon Street by Anne Perry. For Pitt, the sight of a dead man riding the morning tide of the Thames is unforgettable. He lies in a battered punt drifting through the morning mist, his arms and legs chained to the sides of the boat, flowers strewn over his body. Pitt’s search for the victim’s identity leads him into London’s bohemia to the theatre where beautiful Cecily Antrim is outraging society with her bold portrayal of modern woman, and into the studios where masters of light and shadow are experimenting with the fascinating new art of photography.

Brown Bag Book Group- on hiatus until January

Friends of the Library Update

At our last meeting, we said goodbye to our good friend and Board President, Danielle Scott. Thank you, Danielle, for all of your hard work to get our Library Friends group off the ground and flourishing! We went from 0 members to 144 in just over two years with your leadership. You will be dearly missed by all of us.

Thank you to Beverly Heyduk for agreeing to be our interim president. Anyone interested in becoming president please contact Erin Apostolos at the library: erin@meredithlibrary.org or 279-4303.

The Friends’ group of active volunteers is growing. If you want to join in on all the fun and help the library in return, consider becoming a member of our Abe Books, Garden or Book Sale committees.

Upcoming events:

Friends of the Library Open House. Saturday, December 4, 10AM-12:00PM. Please stop by the library for coffee, cider and home-made goodies. Meet the Friends and browse the library.

Friends of the Library Meeting. Saturday, December 4, 12-1:00PM. This will be our last meeting of 2010. Open to all Friends’ members or interested parties.

100 Years Ago

Trustee meeting minutes, September 28, 1910.

“The trustees met at 3p.m at the library. Chairman Smith presided. The old question of “what to do with the doves” was discussed at length. After a year of experiments the nuisance remains as great or worse than ever. The front of the building is defaced by birds and often the clock is stopped. Mr. Smith was instructed to get Mr. Pynn to put up some sort of metal arrangement to keep the birds away. Mr. Felker was also instructed to talk with the janitor and advise more care and thoroughness about his work. The secretary was authorized, by motion of Mr. Felker, to purchase card pockets for the backs of the books.

The matter of purchasing historical works for use of school was discussed. Every member present.

Adjourned 5:30p.m.

-Lillian Wadleigh, Secretary”

Erin’s Note: It was discussed at a previous meeting that where the doves should be driven away from the library...the janitor was advised “not to shoot them.” I wonder how they finally got rid of them? Will have to read further.
Wart, Son of Toad
by Alden R. Carter
It’s not Steve’s fault that his dad is the most hated teacher at school, nicknamed the Toad by the entire student body. What the kids at school don’t know is that Steve’s dad is even harder on Steve than he is on his students. And that his dad has been miserable ever since Steve’s mom and sister died in a car crash three years ago. Most of them don’t even know Steve’s real name— they just call him Wart, Son of Toad.

Steve’s failing most of his classes, and the auto mechanics program he wants to get into is looking more and more like an impossible dream. Not that it matters, anyway: the Toad would never sign off on his son fixing cars. Steve and his dad may live in the same house, but they exist on completely different planets.

And then there’s Trish, the one person who actually understands Steve— but she’s in love with someone else.

This is a powerful acclaimed story about love, loss, and taking control of your own destiny as Steve learns to fight in ways he never has before— for his grades, his dream, and even his father. But most of all, for himself.

NEW FICTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

*Powerless* by Cody Matthew

*Night Wings* by Joseph Bruchac

*The Girl Who Threw Butterflies* by Mick Cochrane

*Larry and the Meaning of Life* by Janet Tashjian

*Love is the Higher Law* by David Levithan

*Vintage Veronica* by Erica S. Perl

NEW NON-FICTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

*The Smart Aleck’s Guide to American History* by Adam Selzer


NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

Don’t forget Read-a-Thon * Eat-a-Thon on Tuesday, November 23 from 5 to 7:00PM. Must sign-up if you want pizza: Cheese or Pepperoni.

Many thanks to all of you for attending our pumpkin carving party it was a great success. A special thank you to parents Stephanie Mouse and Alan Gable for all of their help. I would also like to thank Moulton’s Farm for the perfect-size pumpkins.

Mark your calendar, Wednesday, December 29 from 2 to 4:00PM for a Holiday Movie. Bring a friend during your Christmas break, watch a movie and have hot chocolate and cookies.
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New Adult Items
(ask for the full list at the desk)

**Fiction**
- Brant- *Friday Mornings at Nine*
- Butcher- *Side Jobs*
- Castle- *Naked Heat*
- Child- *Worth Dying For*
- Connelly- *The Reversal*
- Coulter- *Valcourt Heiress*
- Deaver- *Edge*
- Evans- *The Brave*
- Evans- *Promise Me*
- Goldberg- *False Friend*
- Grisham- *The Confession*
- Katz- *Rose in a Storm*
- Kingsolver- *The Lacuna*
- Krauss- *Great House*
- Le Carre- *Our Kind of Traitor*
- Leonard- *Djibouti*
- Macomber- *Call Me Mrs. Miracle*
- Maguire- *Next Queen of Heaven*
- Moor- *The Storm*
- Perry- *Christmas Odyssey*
- Saramago- *Elephant’s Journey*
- Westerson- *Demon’s Parchment*

**Non-Fiction**
- Baker- *America the Story of Us*
- Brown- *Good Eats 2*
- Christopher- *Green Hour*
- Despommier- *Vertical Farm*
- DeWitt- *Founding Foodies Earth (the book)*
- Marler- *Stroke for Dummies*
- Mondale- *The Good Fight*
- Putnam- *American Grace*
- Synder- *Bloodlands*
- Swanson- *Bloody Crimes*
- Taylor- *War of 1812*
- Wilkerson- *Warmth of Other Suns* and *One Mountain Thousand Summits*

**Books on CD**
- Connelly- *The Reversal*
- Evans- *Promise Me*
- Fisher- *The Choice*
- Flynn- *American Assassin*
- Follett- *Fall of Giants*
- Griffin- *The Hostage*
- Grisham- *The Confession*
- Patterson- *Don’t Blink*

**DVDs**

**Movies**
- Charlies Angels, Full Throttle
- Dracula
- Frankenstein
- I am Love
- Iron Man 2
- Robin Hood
- Sideways
- The Wolf Man
- Series (season)
- Island at War (1)
- Midsomer Murders (16)
- The Tudors (4)
- Waiting for God (1-5)

**Documentaries**
- Eyes on the Prize
- Vietnam

**Music CDs**
- Charles- *Genius Loves Company*
- Dave Matthews Band- *Busted Stuff and Stand Up*
- Madonna- *The Immaculate Collection*
- R.E.M.- *Reveal, Murmur, Lifes Rich Pageant, Up*
The Library Nook

Have you wanted to try an e-book reader but were unsure if you wanted to make the investment? The Meredith Public Library is now circulating the Barnes and Noble Nook purchased by the Friends of the Meredith Library. The Nook will work with the Library’s E-book collection as well as thousands of free e-books available through the NH State Library’s E-book site. Use the Nook to read e-books, listen to MP3 audio, surf the Web, check your e-mail, even play chess or Sudoku! The Nook circulates for two weeks and will come pre-loaded with the available e-books of your choice from the library’s e-book site. Contact Erin if interested.

Slide Convertor

Remember Saturday nights and the family slides? Mom would pop some popcorn while Dad dragged out the old screen and projector from the attic. The family would gather in the living room and ooo and ahhh over summer family trips, Aunt Bertha’s birthday or Christmases long since past. How long has it been since you’ve seen your family’s slides?

The library has started circulating a slide/35mm film convertor. Attach it to your computer and convert your old film and slides to digital images. This item was donated to us by David Schimke of the Lakes Region Camera Club and it circulates for two weeks.

Convert your family slides and share them with relatives over the Internet! Why wait for Saturday night?

Recommendation


Beyond their legacy as revolutionaries and politicians, the Founding Fathers of America were first and foremost a group of farmers. Passionate about the land and the bounty it produced, their love of food and the art of eating created what would ultimately become America’s diverse food culture.

Like many of today’s foodies, the Founding Fathers were ardent supporters of sustainable farming and ranching, exotic imported foods, brewing, distilling, and wine appreciation. Washington, Jefferson, and Franklin penned original recipes, encouraged local production of beer and wine, and shared their delight in food with friends and fellow politicians.

In The Founding Foodies, food writer Dave DeWitt entertainingly describes how some of America’s most famous colonial leaders not only established America’s political destiny, but also revolutionized the very foods we eat.

Features over thirty authentic colonial recipes, including:

- Thomas Jefferson's ice cream
- A recipe for beer by George Washington
- Martha Washington's fruitcake
- Medford rum punch
- Terrapin soup

(Product description from Amazon.com)
**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.

**Quilt Display**

This month we will be displaying a quilt by Ann Wallace.

Our rotating display is provided by the Country Village Quilters’ Guild in Moultonborough. Contact Gaye Brennan, 539-5147. gpbquilter@outdrsr.net for more information.

**Art and Collections**

Please be sure to check out our glass case in non-fiction for Karen’s lovely Thanksgiving display.

Suki Brown’s exhibit of “A Day in the Life” which the library has purchased for its permanent collection, is on display in the media room. Featuring photographs of what happens at the library during a typical day several years ago, you may spot some familiar faces.