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 so please contact the library. 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

Fridays October 9 and 23 at 9AM.

Various topics discussed. In person at the Senior Center & via Zoom. To request a link please call before the meeting or email chris@meredithlibrary.org.

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.

DNA for the Overwhelmed: The Easiest Ways to Use DNA to Enhance Your Research

October 2020

Celebrate Family History Month at the Library

DNA for the Overwhelmed: The Easiest Ways to Use DNA to Enhance Your Research

October is Family History Month and we have a special presentation lined-up via Zoom.

Library (Curbside & Building) Hours:

- Tues-Thurs 9-7:30
- Fridays 9-4:30
- Saturdays 9-1:30
- Sundays & Mondays Closed

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“The test kit was on sale. I bought one. I dutifully deposited my saliva in the plastic tube and mailed it in. Now, a few weeks later the results are in: haplotypes and ethnicnicity estimates, something about earwax type and whether I like the taste of cilantro, and a giant list of 537 people who, apparently, are my kinfolk. It is all a bit overwhelming.”

Robert Cameron Weir is a professional genealogist in Dover, New Hampshire who specializes in early New England research. He has a certificate in Genealogical Research from Boston University’s Center for Professional Education and is a member of the Association for Professional Genealogists.

In this workshop we’ll break it all down and try to cut through the noise. We’ll discuss what a DNA test really is, and how it can help with our genealogy. We’ll discuss how DNA is passed down from generation to generation. We’ll then review the types of genealogical questions which can be resolved with evidence from DNA testing, breaking it down into easy recipes. Finally, we’ll talk about the value of DNA testing for finding distant (but not too distant) cousins who might have family photographs, letters, or other heirlooms.”

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Email erin@meredithlibrary.org for a link to the Zoom presentation. This presentation will also be available to view until the end of October.
Reserve your seat! * Stories on the Lawn!

With Miss Karen!

We will be having story time on the front lawn. You will need to make a reservation for this event. Bring your blanket or chair, we will not be serving snacks, so please bring your own! Wear a mask please!

Miss Karen will read to you and provide a craft! We can only have 15 children on the front lawn, so it is important that you call and reserve a space! All ages welcomed! * Story times are from 10 to 11!

Dates: Wed. Oct. 7 Rain date Fri. Oct. 9
Wed. Oct. 14 Rain date Fri. Oct. 16

Please call our main number to reserve your seat! 603-279-3030. Thank you!

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Story Hike!

Hike into Swasey Park and enjoy the story, Henry Hikes to Fitchburg by D.B. Johnson. Story will be up until October 16th! Swasey Park is on High St., across from Meredith post office, go up the hill Swasey Park is on the right! Enjoy this short, easy walk! Fun for all ages!

**Book Words! For all ages!**

Read a book, write down 3 words describing the book. Bring your list to the children’s room and share your thoughts!

We will hang your list on the wall, other kids will see the list and they might want to read that book! Great way to share books!

Miss Karen’s

Book Mobile

It’s true! I'm going to deliver books to you! Okay parents, let me help! All you have to do is visit our on-line catalog, choose your books, call us or e-mail your wish list! You can also ask for a pile of books!

Example: I have a 4 year old son who loves dinosaurs and pirates please bring us 12 books!!!

I will be delivering books in the Meredith area on Wednesday afternoons between 2 and 4! You will also receive crafts! I am missing all the little people at the library, I thought this would be fun if I delivered to your home! Program starts Wed. Nov. 4th!

P.S. You may reach me at karen@meredithlibrary.org

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Help us decorate the children’s room for Halloween!

Create-A-Creature!

**Starts Tuesday, October 6!**

Make a ghoul, witch, monster, ghost or some scary creature! Boo!

Bring it to the library, we will hang it up in the children’s room and you will receive a Halloween treat bag!

This and that

Interlibrary Loan Service Has Resumed!

Most of you know that if we don’t own an item, it can be borrowed from another library in NH and shipped to our library. This service had been suspended since March due to the pandemic but has finally resumed. Please note that the State Library requires that items be quarantined for three days before they ship and then must be quarantined again for three days once they arrive at our library, so please allow at least two weeks from the day you place an order to the day it arrived.

Contact Cherie for more information on Interlibrary Loan services.

Building Project Update

Some of you may have noticed a lot of digging in front of the library, electrical trucks lining Main Street and some new electrical poles going up. In order to operate our new elevator and HVAC system, we needed to upgrade our power service and bring it up from Route 3. Some large shrubs in front of the library needed to be removed so that the wires could be buried underground. The bulk of this work has been completed and we thank you for your patience as traffic became a bit backed up at times.

Meanwhile more work on the foundation for the addition has been completed at the back of the building.

We are also very excited to announce that we were awarded a $10,000 Moose Plate grant to assist us with renovating the historic portion of the library building!

Have you tried our new streaming services yet? AcornTV for all your British TV needs and The Great Courses. 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.

Safety Reminders

- While we are open for business, we strongly recommend and are happy to provide curbside pickup service.
- When entering the library, wear your mask and use the hand sanitizer provided at the table near the entrance. Masks are also available there.
- No more than 30 minutes at the library per day per patron.
- PC use is available, but is part of the 30 minutes patrons are allowed in the library per day.
New Adult Items
(ask for the full list at the desk)

Fiction
Backman-Anxious people
Cabot-No offense
Clarke-Piranesi
Cleveley-When we left Cuba
Cleeves-The darkest evening
Haig-The midnight library
Hardt-Fate
Johansen-Chaos
King-If it bleeds
Penny-All the devils are here
Picoult-The book of two ways
Redfearn-In an instant
Russell-Leaving Vanessa
Ward-The Jackal

Biographies
Bolton-The room where it happened
Freeman-House of glass
Hazareesingh-Black spartacus

Nonfiction
Boin-Alaric the Goth
Belton-Putin’s people
Digitalis-The everyday empath
Fairweather-The volunteer
Garcia-The wicked baker
Jones-The organ thieves
King-Make change
Price-Children of ash & elm

Large Print
Michaels-Truth & justice
Parker-Then she vanished
Penny-All the devils are here
Robb-Shadows in death

DVDs-Movies
Emperor
First cow
The king of Staten Island
Resistance

DVDs-T.V.
The Blacklist-Season 7
Endeavor-Season 7
His dark materials-Season 1
Mr. Mercedes-Season 3

Audio books
Doiron-One last lie
Nickless-Gone to darkness
Summers-A certain hunger

Mystery Book Group
One Perfect Lie
by Lisa Scottoline
Thursday, October 15,
10:30AM

The Mystery Book Club will be meeting on the lawn in front of the library Thursday morning. Registration is required as we are limited on the number of attendees. Please leave your name, phone number, and email by either calling or emailing the library. Please bring a lawn chair with you. If the weather is bad the meeting will still occur, but will be online via Zoom.

Copies will be available prior to the book club meeting.

From GoodReads:
"A handsome stranger moves to the small Pennsylvania town of Central Valley. He’s applying for a job as a teacher and varsity baseball coach at the local high school, and he looks perfect, on paper. But his name is an alias, his resume is false, and everything about him is a lie."

Brown Bag Book Group
Mr. Mercedes by Stephen King
Thursday, October 29, noon.

Feel free to bring your lunch. We will meet on the library lawn, weather permitting. Please bring your lawn chair. If it’s inclement weather, we will be meeting at the Meredith Community Center. Masks are required either way.

WINNER OF THE EDGAR AWARD FOR BEST NOVEL
#1 New York Times bestseller! In a high-suspense race against time, three of the most unlikely heroes Stephen King has ever created try to stop a lone killer from blowing up thousands. “Mr. Mercedes is a rich, resonant, exceptionally readable accomplishment by a man who can write in whatever genre he chooses” (The Washington Post).

Friends of the Library
The front garden continues to bloom brightly and coordinates with the beautiful fall colors. Fortunately, the garden hasn’t been hit by frost at this time. The Scarecrow display will go in among the flowers in early October.

Just a reminder that museum passes are available at the Library for Squam Lakes Science Center, Canterbury Village, Castle in the Clouds, Wright Museum, Seacoast Science Center, Currier Museum, McAuliffe-Shepard Space Museum. Check each site before going for specific Covid-19 procedures.

Soon the Friends and the Library will be releasing information about a Buy-a-Brick program for the walk way leading into the Library from the new parking lot. Three sizes of bricks will be available for your message....more information to follow. Proceeds will benefit the Friends and will go towards landscaping needs for the building project.

Deb McNeish, President of the Meredith Library
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