September Events

Please join us this fall at the library featuring activities for all ages! On Thursday, September 3 from 11:30-1:00PM we will be having a free luncheon and welcoming Dr. Ruth Nemzoff, author of Don’t Bite Your Tongue: Parenting Adult Children. Dr. Nemzoff believes that parents need to stay involved in their adult children’s lives and not silence themselves. Please register for this event and indicate whether you prefer cheese or pepperoni pizza.

On Thursday, September 10 from 6:30-8:00PM there will be a Getting Started in Genealogy workshop. How to get started with your research and how to use the libraries databases including Ancestry.com, HeritageQuest and NEHGS. Please register for the event.

Friday, September 11 from 4:00-6:00PM the Meredith Library Genealogy Club will be meeting. This month’s speaker is Hal Inglis from the NH Society of Genealogist. Mr. Inglis will be discussing what other genealogy clubs in the area are doing and give us suggestions on how to get our own club off the ground. He will be available for genealogy questions after his talk. The library computers will then be open for research.

This month’s matinee will be on Friday, September 25 from 1:30-3:30. We will be showing The Curious Case of Benjamin Button starring Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett. Popcorn and soda will be served.

The Knotty Knitters continue to meet but on Thursday mornings at 10:30.

In the Children’s Room, story time resumes on September 9, Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30AM and Thursday from 1:00-2:00PM. Tot Time begins again on Friday, September 11. Please register for these events.

Miss Jessie is starting something new this Fall: The Curiosity Club for ages 4-9. Each month will take on a new wild topic and at the first meeting on Wednesday, September 16 from 3:30-4:30PM you will be exploring insects and making your own 3-D bug!!! Meets the second Wednesday of every month.
New Highlighted Books!

*Fall Festival* by: Mercer Mayer

New early reader book about the ever popular Little Critter. From picking apples to taking hay rides fall is a wonderful time here in Meredith and in Critterville! Read and enjoy.

*Babymouse: Dragon-slayer* by: Jennifer Holm

Darkness has fallen and only one brave soul can save the kingdom! You guessed it, Babymouse! She must face her personal demon, MATH. Can she win back the school’s honor? Read this fun graphic series, great for reluctant readers.

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**Children’s Fall Programs**

**Preschool Story Time** for ages 3-5 on Wednesdays at 10:30am and Thursdays at 1:00pm beginning September 9-10.

**Tot Time** resumes Friday September 11 at 9:30 for ages 1-3

**Curiosity Club** Join the club that loves to explore! Each month a new wild topic! This month we will explore insects and make our own 3-D bug! The club is for ages 4-9 and will meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month! (9/16, 10/14, etc.) from 3:30-4:30PM.

**Bedtime stories** on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm. Come in your pajamas and listen to good night stories, do a project and have a bedtime snack starting in October (10/6, 11/3, 12/1)

Look forward to more fun with **Haunted Library Scavenger Hunt** on Wednesday, October 28 at 3:30
Mystery Book Group-
Thursday, September, 10, 10:30-12:00-Please join us as we discuss Donna Leon's Death at La Fenice from the Commissario Guido Brunetti Mystery Series.

JACKET NOTES: The Final Curtain: Beautiful and serene Venice is a city almost devoid of crime. But that is little comfort to Maestro Helmut Wellauer, a world-renowned conductor whose intermission refreshment comes one night with a little something extra in it—cyanide. For Guido Brunetti, vice-commissario of police and detective genius, finding a suspect isn’t a problem; narrowing the large and unconventional group of enemies down to one is. As the suave and pithy Brunetti pieces together clues, a shocking picture of depravity and revenge emerges, leaving him torn between what is and what should be right—and questioning what the law can do, and what needs to be done.

Friends of the Library Update

The Friends book sale held August 29, 2009 was a great success. Donations were accepted for a wide selection of books, audio books, videotapes and children’s books. We continued the Friends of the Meredith Library’s membership drive and added many new members. Many thanks to the following volunteers for all their help with the sale: Barbara Brann, Ann Butler, Pam Coburn, Jean Dougan, Carol Moritz, June Noreen, Chris Oldeman, Anne Pocock, Danielle Scott and Anne Whiting.

Help Wanted: We are currently looking for volunteers to help catalog donated books which we sell through Abebooks, an online book vendor. All proceeds benefit upcoming library programs. Please consider donating some of your time and talents. For further information contact Danielle Scott at 472-2616 or dmscott@metrocast.net.

Upcoming events:

Friends of the Meredith Library Meeting, Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 3:00PM

Thursday Evening Book Group- Thursday, September 24, 6:30-8:30PM The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love by Oscar Hijuelos. The Mambo Kings are two brothers, Cesar and Nestor Castillo, Cuban-born musicians who emigrate to New York City in 1949. They form a band and enjoy modest success, playing dance halls, nightclubs and quince parties in New York's Latin neighborhoods. Their popularity peaks in 1956 with a guest appearance on the I Love Lucy show, playing Ricky Ricardo's Cuban cousins and performing their only hit song in a bittersweet event that both frames the novel and serves as its emblematic heart. We will be showing the film the Mambo Kings and discussing both the book and film after the showing. Popcorn and soda will be served.
Book Review-Karen’s Pick

Rosie and Skate
by Beth Ann Bauman

It’s off season at the Jersey shore. The boardwalk belongs to the locals, including Rosie and Skate, sisters who are a year apart in age but couldn’t be more different. Rosie is fifteen, shy and waiting for her life to begin. Skate, sixteen, is tougher and knows what she wants. Rosie still believes in their widowed father, a likable drunk, who is spending a few months in jail for petty theft. Skate thinks he’s hopeless and nicknames him the Old Crow, after the whiskey he drinks. Rosie wants to experience her first love and is drawn to Nick, a boy in her support group. Skate and her boyfriend, Perry, are madly in love— inseparable. But this fall Perry goes off to college, leaving Skate behind.

There’s no Dad. No Mom. Just their home, a falling-down Victorian on the beach, with a cousin to look after them. Ultimately, Rosie and Skate must count on each other.

Readers will be totally caught up as the sisters’ story plays out within the embrace of their quirky, warmhearted community. This first novel for young adults by Beth Ann Bauman, an acclaimed author for adults, shows her deep understanding of Rosie and Skate, and their every secret thought.

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Exciting New Books

- Hip-Hop High School by Alan Lawrence Sitomer
- Feral by Bev Cooke
- Rosie and Skate by Beth Ann Bauman
- Every Soul a Star by Wendy Mass
- The Robe of Skulls by Vivian French
- A Thousand Never Evers by Shana Burg
- Catwalk by Deborah Gregory
- Blue is for Nightmares by Laurie Faria Stolarz
- BloggRls, NUGRl90 (Sadie) by Cheryl Dellasega
- Rumors by Anna Godbersen
- Eight Grade Bites by Heather Brewer
- Ninth Grade Slays by Heather Brewer
- Divine One by Lynne Ewing
- Violet in Private by Melissa Walker
- The Fury and Dark Reunion by L.J. Smith (Vampire Diaries)
- The Awakening and the Struggle by L.J. Smith (Vampire Diaries)

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Mark Your Calendar!!

- Wed. October 14, 6:00-7:30-Guitar Hero Party
- October 18-24-Teen Read Week
- Wed. October 21, 5:00-6:00PM-Pumpkin Carving!!
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## New Adult Items
(ask for the full list at the desk)

### Fiction
- Berenson-The Silent man
- Bretton-Laced With Magic
- Brown-Smash Cut
- Conroy-South of Broad
- Cook-Intervention
- Cussler-Spartan Gold
- Doctorow-Homer & Langley
- Finder-Vanished
- Foster-Star Trek
- Goodkind-Law of Nines
- Gregory-White Queen
- Kellerman-Blindman’s Bluff
- McMurtry-Rhino Rancy
- Mercurio-American Adulterer
- Moning-Dreamfever
- Patterson-Alex Cross’ Trial
- Patterson-Spire
- Reichs-206 Bones
- Russo-That Old Cape Magic
- Salvatore-The Dame
- Turtledove-Hitler’s War
- Waters-The Little Stranger

### Non-Fiction
- Andersen-Reset
- Baatz-For the Thrill of It
- Dash-The First Family
- Dolson-Bear-ology
- Ellison-Knitting Noro
- Holzemer-Curveball
- Katz-Soul of a Dog
- Kessler-In the President’s Secret Service
- Klass-Every Mother is a Daughter
- Koontz-A Big Little Life
- Rico-Border Crosser
- Sharlett-The Family
- Skousen-The 5000 Year Leap

### Books on CD
- Barbery-The Elegance of the Hedgehog
- Conroy-South of Broad
- Cook-Intervention
- Hamilton-Guilty Pleasures
- Kenyon-Bad Moon Rising
- Kidd-Secret Life of Bees
- Larsson-Girl Who Played With Fire
- Russo-That Old Cape Magic

### Books on Playaway
- Boeselager-Valkyrie
- Cole-Napoleon’s Egypt
- Perry-The Butcher’s Boy
- Rose-Twelve Angry Men
- Toibin-Brooklyn

### DVDs
- Adaptation
- Babel
- Brokeback Mountain
- Dreamgirls
- Harry Potter Movies
- I Love You, Man
- I.Q.
- Julia
- Knowing
- Steel Magnolias
- You, Me and Dupree Series (season)
- Dexter (3)
- Kavanagh Q.C.
- War and Remembrance
Erin’s Pick-The Time Traveler’s Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

Henry and Clare are very much in love. They share a wonderful marriage and at most times are very happy with one another. There is just one problem. Henry suffers from CDP (chronologically-displaced person.) Without warning, Henry will disappear, leaving a pile of clothes behind where he once stood. He then travels forward or backward in time, arriving naked and unsure of when he is. What makes it even more interesting is that he has the ability to seek himself out during whatever time he’s in and ask himself for help, so Henry is quite use to running into Henry. His 7-year-old self might meet up with his 39-year-old self, or visa-versa. The paradoxes in this story will leave any fan of time travel thinking for days!

When Clare first meets Henry, she is 4-years old and Henry is about 38. In Henry’s linear life, he and Clare have been married for a number of years. 4-year old Clare is quite shocked to see a naked man standing in her father’s meadow. Henry keeps bouncing back to young Clare, and eventually they strike up a friendship. Clare sees him at first as a mentor, and in a way Henry begins to prepare Clare to be his wife. He talks to her about all the things he loves and she begins to love the same things. As Clare grows up, she begins to fall in love with Henry, but Henry doesn’t want to take advantage of her. He wants to wait to be with her when they meet in his linear life.

The first time Henry meets Clare, she is 20 and he is 28. She is of course madly in love with him, and he has no clue who she is, but suspects his future self may have met her while he was time traveling. Henry is a bit of an ass at age 28: an alcoholic party animal who tends to misuse women. At first Clare is shattered because she is in love with Henry’s older self. Older Henry travels back to her and pleads that she give young Henry a chance because that is the only way young Henry can turn into the Henry she dearly loves.

The story is brilliant. It just goes on and on like this. It is told circular in a way, bouncing back and forth between young Henries, old Clares, young Clares, and old Henries all the while Henry searching for a way to cure his condition.

I highly recommend this book. It is one of my favorites of all time. I’m a huge fan of time travel stories and I would have to say this is the best one I’ve ever read. I was very sad when I turned the last page. I’m going to miss Henry and Clare.

(Now available in film at theaters.)

If you liked this novel then try:

Slaughterhouse-Five by Kurt Vonnegut, (1969)-(NoveList Review)-High school students read Vonnegut’s classic novel for its investigation of the horrors of the modern world, but its protagonist, Billy Pilgrim, is the original "chronologically displaced person." Billy comes "unstuck in time" and visits various moments in his life -- most famously the firebombing of Dresden during World War II -- repeatedly and out of order. Where Niffenegger's time travel story turns inward, examining the workings of the human heart, Vonnegut is interested in the workings of history, making for a book that is both wider ranging and more brutal in its perspective.
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.

Library Hours

Sunday and Monday - Closed
Tuesday - Thursday - 9:00am-8:00pm
Friday - 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday - 9:00am-2:00pm

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.

Thank You to Our Summer Reading Sponsors!

The Meredith Public Library would like to thank all of the generous sponsors of our 2009 Adult, Teen and Children’s summer reading programs including:

AJ’s Bait and Tackle, Ben and Jerry’s Ice Cream, Burke Associates, Christa Corbin & Lydia Clapp, Friends of the Meredith Library, Funspot, Guiseppe’s Pizzeria, Hannaford, Hart’s Turkey Farm, Innisfree Bookshop, Louis’ Famous Pizza, McDonald’s Restaurant, Meredith Center Store, Meredith Lion’s Club, Meredith Village Savings Bank, Mobil Station of Meredith, Molly Bee’s Toy Store, Park Place Salon, and Sunshine & Pa’s Restaurant.

A visit from a traveling zoo, a story teller, musician, magician, a tie-dying party, a lecture on the Apollo program, viewing Bob Montana’s old films starring Meredith citizens and astrology were just a few of the special programs offered this summer.

Thank you to the library staff, trustees, volunteers and the Friends of the Meredith Library for all of their hard work this summer and especially thank you to the loyal patrons of the Meredith Public Library!