



Meredith Library News

SPRING 2024

Library Hours:

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

New Calendar, Museum Pass and Room Booking Software Added to our Website!

“Happiness? The color of it must be spring green.”

~Frances Mayes



FRIENDS OF THE MEREDITH LIBRARY

**BOOK
STORE**



HOURS:

**WEDNESDAYS 10 AM – 6 PM
THURSDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM
FRIDAYS 10 AM – 4 PM
SATURDAYS 9 AM - 1:30 PM**

We are pleased to announced that beginning in April we will be using new software called “Libcal” that will make it easier for our patrons to register for library events, book a meeting or study room or reserve a museum pass from home.

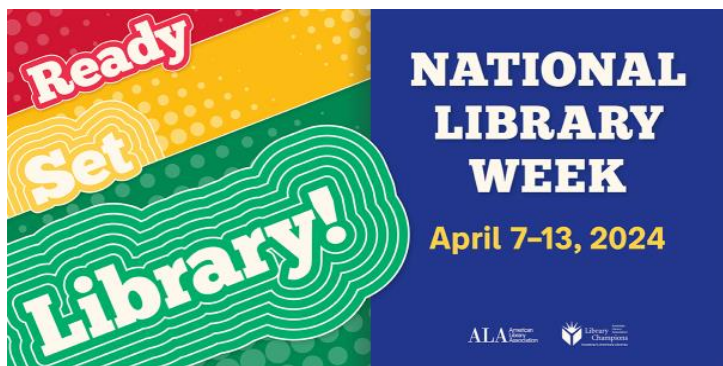
From our home page, hover over “New & Events” from the top menu and click on “Events Calendar”. Most of our events do not require registration, but for those that do you will see a little banner around the event listing the number of seats left. Click on the link for the event then click on the button “Begin Registration” to register. You will be asked for your name, email address and phone number. A confirmation email will be sent and a reminder will be sent before the event. You can use the search box above the calendar to search for an event, limit it by adult, teen or children and change the view to a day, month or weekly view.

You can also reserve a museum pass from our website. From the library’s homepage, click on “Museum Passes” under quick

links. Find the pass you would like and click on “Book Now”. You must be sure to visit the museum’s website to be sure it is open on the day you wish to visit before booking it. Use the grid to click on the date that you would like to use the pass then fill out the form. You will be notified whether or not the booking has been approved and when you can pick up the pass.

Finally, you book a study room or meeting room online. From the library’s home page, click on “Book a Room” under quick links. You can either click on the link to book the Function Room, Maker Space of Historic Study Room for a larger meeting or click on the link for Study Rooms for spaces up to four people. Be sure to read the policies for each room. Once you’ve booked a space, you will receive an email notice letting you know whether or not it has been approved. Please do not assume the room has been booked until you hear from us.

Please contact us for assistance with any of these modules.



Since 1958, libraries across the country have celebrated Library Week with special events. This year's theme is "Ready, Set, Library!" because every day at the library is an adventure. Where else can you check out the latest bestseller, pick up seeds, attend a free humanities lecture on the First Amendment, or create art on the laser engraver? It's all here waiting for you! Stop in every day during Library Week for a free coffee and pastry and attend one of the following special events thanks to the Friends of the Library.

Tuesday, April 9

10AM **Maker Space Morning**-Create Library SWAG using our Glowforge laser engraver.

Wednesday, April 10

6:30PM-**Seed Library Grand Opening.**

Learn how to interpret the seed packet, upcycle items from home to use as containers, how to properly prepare your soil and lighting and how to properly care for your seeds from starting them to transferring them outdoors. Bring seeds you may wish to donate to the seed library and leave with seeds from the library to begin at home. Presented by Loren McCabe.

Thursday, April 11

6:30PM. **The First Amendment.** The First Amendment protects our most basic freedoms, none more important than freedom of speech. But what do we do about speech that threatens to destroy the social fabric? Presented by Meg Mott. Paid for by a grant from the NH Humanities.

1980's Addition Window Restoration Project

This May we will begin work on replacing windows and restoring damaged sills in the 1980's addition of the library thanks in part to a \$15,000 grant from the Association for Rural and Small Libraries. Service in the Maker Space and Teen Room will be disrupted during this process. We will keep you posted.

Non-Residents: Hoopla and Libby

Due to budget constraints, a request from the State Library and high demand, the library trustees voted to remove access to Libby and Hoopla from non-resident cards. We apologize for any inconvenience. Please contact Library Director Erin Apostolos erin@meredithlibrary.org with any questions or comments.

Winter Reading Winners!

Adults challenged themselves all winter to read books outside their comfort zone, attend library events and use the Word of the Day in order to earn points in the Adult Winter Reading Challenge. Congratulations to Elaine Campbell, Grand Prize and First Prize Winner (pictured right) for earning the most points! Second Place goes to Victoria Wood Parrish, Third to Grace Ainsworth, Fourth to Cynthia Westoff and Fifth to Carol Gerken. All winners received a gift bag with prizes for the book lover! Grand Prize was a large gift basket. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



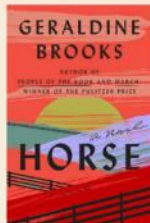
BOOK CLUBS

Brown Bag

Last Thursday of the Month at 12 PM

(new date)

5/2



Horse by
Geraldine
Brooks

5/30

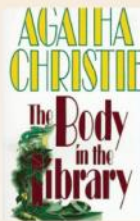


*Remarkably
Bright
Creatures*
by Shelby
Van Pelt

Mystery

Second Thursday of the Month at 10:30 AM

4/11



*The Body in
the Library*
by Agatha
Christie

5/9



*I've Got My
Eyes On You*
by Mary
Higgins Clark

Sci Fi & Fantasy

Last Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 PM

4/30

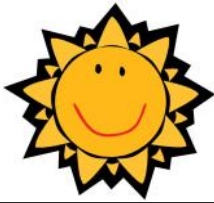


*The Man in
the High
Castle* by
Phillip Dick

6/25



Kindred by
Octavia E.
Butler



News from the Children's Room!

April, May, June 2024



Bookworm Bunch Story Time

Wednesday's from 10 to 11

April 3, 10, 17 & 24

May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

June 5, 12, 19 & 26

We meet in the children's room for a story or two, crafts & snacks. This story time is geared for children 3 to 5. All ages are welcomed. No sign-up required. Coffee & Tea served.

Saturday Story times this Spring!

Apr. 6 * May 18 * June 15

Time: 10 to 11

Join us on these Saturday's for a story, craft & snack. No sign-up required. Everyone is invited.

April showers bring May flowers

Saturday April 20! Visit the children's room anytime between 10 & 1 and make a "flower collage" to hang at your house. Snacks served.

Wonderful Watercolor

Join us Saturday, May 4th & June 29. Anytime between 10 & 1. We will paint and have snacks. Invite a friend and have a playdate. All ages are welcomed. No sign-up required.

Enjoy the Spring!



Tot Time Reading Circle * Friday, 10 to 11

April 5, 12, 19 & 26

May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

June 7, 14, 21 & 28

Join us in the children's room for stories, puppet friends and beautiful art work created by you! This is a fun, warm, friendly group of parents & children. Come read and play. All babies and children are welcomed. Snacks served. No sign-up required. Coffee & Tea served.

Bookworm Bunch "Special" Story Time's!

April 24 from 10 to 11

Deb Mcneish will be here with a story and kittens! Meow!

April 26 from 10 to 11

Ann Barach will be here to read to you and practice yoga. So fun.

Starting **June 28** you may sign-up for summer reading. This program lasts 6 weeks, fill in your reading log and win prizes! Special events, raffles & treats will be waiting for you.

MEREDITH LIBRARY



Programs are open to kids 10+, however the library is not responsible for supervision.

TEEN zone

April 2024
AGES 10-18

TAKE THE BUS AFTER SCHOOL TUES-FRI • 3:30 - 5PM

CRAFTS • BOARD GAMES • MOVIES • SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS • FRIENDSHIP • SPECIAL EVENTS • SNACKS

Tues • April 2 • 3:30-5

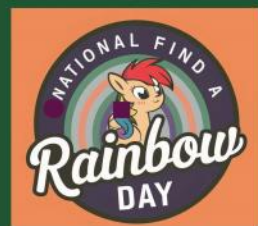


UNBOX & SAMPLE UNIVERSAL YUMS KOREAN SNACKS!

MAKE & PLAY DDAKJI

LISTEN TO KOREAN MUSIC & LEARN ABOUT THE CULTURE

Wed • April 3 • 3:30-5PM



100 rainbows are hidden in the library

How many can you find?

Prizes & Snacks

Thu • April 4 • 3:30-5PM

Break-in Bags

Solve puzzles to find the combination to unlock your bag of goodies!

Also, Homemade mac & cheese!



Tues • April 9 • 3:30-5PM

BEGINNER D&D

SIGNUP REQUIRED
SPACE IS LIMITED
liz@meredithlibrary.org



Wed April 10 3:30-5

Ramen Bar!



Thu • April 11 • 3:30-5PM

CRAFT EXPLOSION

Tues • April 16 • 3:30-5

BAD ART CLUB



Wed • April 17 • 3:30-5

Return of the Potions



Thu April 18 3:30-5

Fun & prizes!

TEEN TEAM TRIVIA

Tues • April 30 • 3:30-5

Celebrate National Bubble Tea Day!



And
Make your own seed bombs for spring!

EVERY FRIDAY*
3:30 to 5:00 pm
* Friday 4/12 library closes at 1pm

jackbox games®



COMING IN MAY

World Culture France • Ice Cream Identity • Sand Art
Dragon Eggs • Ghost Hunt • Air Plant Terrariums & more!

Spring Crafternoons

First Fridays, 1-3PM

*All materials provided; \$5.00 fee per class.
Registration Required.*



Faux Clay Vases
April 5.
From dollar store vase
to a work of art!

Diamond Art Butterfly
Garden Stakes

May 3.

An easy, relaxing and
beautiful craft.



Wine Cork Flag
June 7.
Celebrate the fourth
with this upcycled
craft.



FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 5:30-7:30PM

MEREDITH LIBRARY CRAFTERS' CLUB

4/4, 5/2, 6/6
5:30-7:30PM

BRING YOUR UNFINISHED CRAFT TO THE MAKER SPACE AND WORK WITH OTHER CRAFTERS TO FINALLY GET IT DONE!

Open to all experience levels. Chat, plan and discuss your craft with others. This is a self-directed group. No materials provided.

Writers' Group

Meets the Second and Fourth Tuesday of Each Month at 5:45PM

All types of writers at all experience levels are welcome. Light refreshments served.

Chat about your favorite books!

Books on Tap

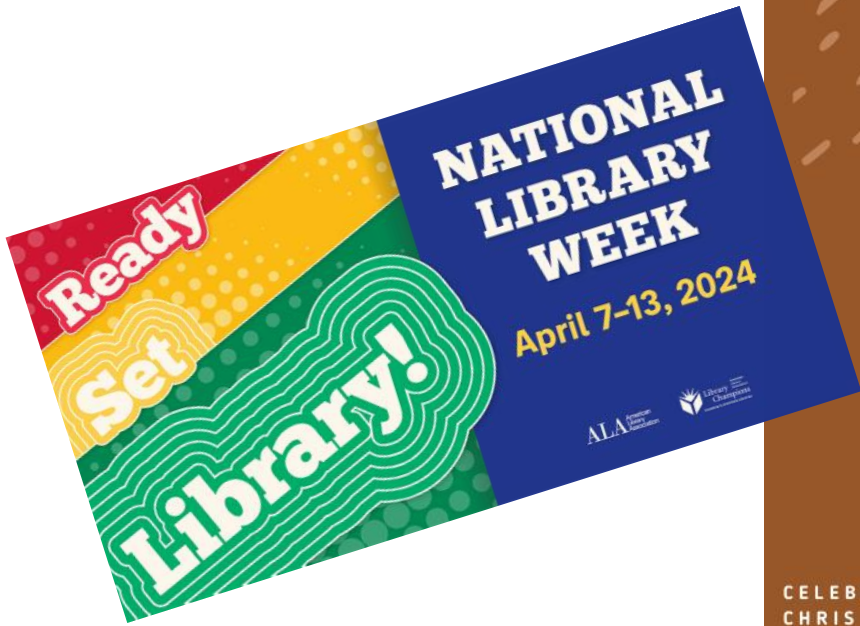
First Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM at the Lakehouse Grille at Church Landing

Meow

Tuesday, April 23, 10:00AM

Cat Cafe

Create a diamond art cat coaster, hang with Deb's kittens and chat about all things cat!



Maker Space Morning

APRIL 9
10:00AM

What will you make next with Glowforge?

CELEBRATE LIBRARY WEEK AND WORK WITH CHRIS IN THE MAKER SPACE! LEARN HOW TO USE OUR GLOWFORGE LASER ENGRAVER TO MAKE YOUR VERY OWN LIBRARY SWAG!

Leave a seed packet; take a seed packet

Presented by
Loren McCabe

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**THURSDAY
APRIL 11
6:30PM
MEREDITH LIBRARY
91 MAIN STREET**



GET TO KNOW THE GRANGE

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 11:00AM
 PRESENTED BY HELGA POTTER AND
 COOKIE BOULANGER

WHEN YOU HEAR THE WORD "GRANGE," DO YOU PICTURE AN OLD FARMER TENDING HIS CROPS AND ANIMALS? THE GRANGE HAS GONE FAR BEYOND THAT! JOIN US FOR AN INSIDE LOOK AT THE MEREDITH GRANGE TO LEARN WHAT THE GROUP IS AND WHAT THEY DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

THEY WILL COVER TOPICS SUCH AS:

- HISTORY OF THE GRANGE
- HOW THE GRANGE HAS EVOLVED OVER THE YEARS
- WHAT THE GRANGE HAS ACCOMPLISHED
- HOW THE GRANGE SUPPORTS LOCAL FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITY



Meredith Library Genealogy Club

Tues, Apr 16, 4:00PM
In person and Via Zoom



Brick Wall Busting. Are you stuck on an ancestor? Share your brick wall with the group and let's work to solve it.

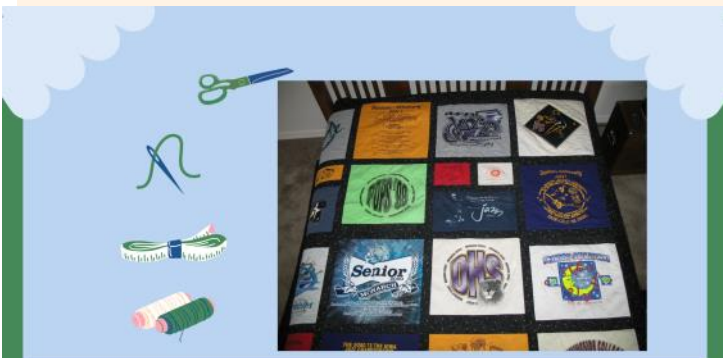
April 26
5:30-
7:30PM

Adult Board Game Night



Join Erin and Matthew after hours at the library!

Registration Required. Bring your favorite game! Snacks served..



MAKE A T-SHIRT QUILT

THURSDAYS
MAY 10, 17, 24, & 31
1:00-3:30PM

LIMIT 10. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

For advanced sewers only. Supply list at Front Desk.

YOGA CLASSES




Thursday, May 7, 21, 28 @10:00AM
Chair Yoga May 7 & 21
Gentle Yoga May 28
Meditation at each class.

\$10.00 PER CLASS

This Month's Play:

Comedy of Errors

WEDNESDAYS



WITH
SHAKESPEARE


Act I 5/1 - Act II 5/8 - Act III 5/15
Act IV 5/22 - Act V 5/29

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BOOKS FOR ALL AGES
DVDS, PUZZLES!

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Library BUILDING Hours:

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tues: 9am-8:00pm

Wed: 9am-8:00pm

Thurs: 9am-8:00pm

Friday: 9am-5:00pm

Saturday: 9am-2:00pm

*Please remember the library in
your estate planning.*

Computer Club

**Tuesdays @ 10AM Apr. 9,
May 14, Jun. 11**

Various topics are discussed
and open to all experience
levels.

We Want Your Scrap Wood!

*(To be used in our new
Glowforge machine)*

Must be no larger than 18" x
20" to fit in our machine and
can be no thicker than 1/2".
Please call and ask for Chris
for more details.

One-on-One Technology Training

Need help with your new
tablet, laptop or smart phone?
Is your email giving you prob-
lems? Sign up for a one-on-one
session with Chris.

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 re-
quest a book we can download
for you.

Library Mission Statement

The Meredith Public Library's mission is to be the cultural heart of Meredith; a gathering place where community members can acquire and share knowledge.

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 Matthew Buteau. If you would like to present a program at the library please contact Erin Apostolos.

Knotty Knitters

Join us weekly on Thursdays
at 9AM in front of the
historic fireplace.

Senior Center Tech

Meets Fridays at 9AM. Apr. 5
& 19, May 3 & 17, Jun. 14 &
28 at the Community Center.

Check out our very awesome telescope.

Take it home for one week.
*(Must be at least 18 years of
age with a valid driver's
license.)*