

Meredith Library News

Library Hours:

Tues-Thurs 9-8

Fridays 9-5

Saturdays 9-2

Sundays & Mondays

Closed

Fall 2024

Reading Keeps Her Going: A Talk with Longtime Meredith Resident and Former Meredith Public Library Trustee Carol Euler, abridged. (*See our Website or Meredith News for the full version.*)

“Reading keeps me going! If I couldn’t read anymore, I’d be all done!”

~Carol Euler



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

Ninety-five-year-old Carol Euler comes to the Meredith Public Library at least once a week to check out several books. She always has a smile on her face, a pleasant attitude, and a kind word for the employees. Recently, a new employee had trouble **finding Carol’s account in the computer.** (She has been a patron at the library for over sixty-five years. **She’s definitely in the system.**) Despite the fact that Carol uses a walker to assist in her mobility, she maintained her smile and patient composure through **multiple tries on the employee’s part.** In fact, Carol told the apologetic employee to take her time and not to worry, because she was in no rush!

As I finished working with another patron and helped get Carol’s account on the screen, I immediately decided that I wanted to have a chat with Carol to ask her the secret to how she stays so positive considering everything she must have seen and gone through in her lifetime. Carol graciously agreed to spend some time with me sitting down for a delightful chat in the comfortable

chairs by the fireplace in one of the library’s front Historic Rooms.

Carol’s first response when asked about staying positive in life was, **“Reading keeps me going! If I couldn’t read anymore, I’d be all done!”** She mentioned a favorite novelist from when she was younger named Taylor Caldwell who, it turns out, wrote over forty books. (*Continued on page 3.*)



Carol tries out the library’s new phonograph in 1966.



News from the Children's Room!

September* October * November * 2024



Bookworm Bunch Story Time

Wednesday's from 10 to 11

September 4, 18 & 25

October 9, 16, 23 & 30

November 6, 13, 20 & 27

We meet in the children's room for a story or two, crafts & snacks. All ages are welcomed! No sign-up required. Coffee & Tea served.

A Visit From Smokey the Bear!

Wed. October 2 from 10 to 11

Meet Smokey Bear this morning, listen to a forest ranger sing songs. Enjoy snacks and a bear raffle!



Saturday Story Time

Sep. 21, Oct. 19,
Nov. 16 Dec. 14

Time : 10 to 11



Visit the children's room on a Saturday morning and enjoy a story, craft & snack. Invite a friend and have a play date.

LIBRARY CLOSED

November 28 & 29 for Thanksgiving!

December 25 & 26 for Christmas!



Tot Time Reading Circle * Fridays 10 to 11

September 6, 20 & 27

October 4, 11, & 18

November 1, 8, 15 & 22

Join us in the children's room for stories, puppet friends and beautiful art work created by you! Come read and play! All babies and children are welcomed! Snacks served! No sign-up required! Coffee & Tea served!

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Friday, October 25
from 10 to 11



Whoosh! Goes the wind as you rush into the library and join your little friends for a spooktacular story! Wear your costume, create a Halloween craft & enjoy a treat! No sign-up required! All little goblins, ghouls, witches and monsters are welcomed! If you would like to make a treat to bring please do!



(Carol Euiler-Continued from page 1.) Carol revealed that her reading genre choices have evolved over the years and she keeps up with current novelists too. She mentioned Kristin Hannah whose novel *The Women* has been all over bestseller lists (and Meredith Library reserve lists too) for the past few months. Carol felt a special connection to the characters in *The Women* because they are nurses in the Vietnam War. In real life, Carol was also a nurse herself and she knew women who were nurses serving in the military during that time. She expressed wishes that she still had their correspondence from that time period.

Carol said she has learned to accept things as they come. I told her that was a great life philosophy that I am still working on myself. She smiled as she explained that things change and we have no control over them. **She said, “We can only control our reactions – and our reactions should be to accept the changes.”**

I asked her about the biggest change she’s seen in Meredith over the years. As one might expect, she cited the transition from rural residential town to tourist resort town. I also asked about changes in the world.

Carol thought for a moment and responded, **“Life was a lot easier and simpler in the** past. There is too much media today. When we were younger, we only had the radio and that was enough. In the old days, instead of spending time on electronic devices, people interacted with each other at stores and at **churches and church events.”**

Broadening her observations, she continued, **“The country was more united.** People went through things together. First, there was The Great Depression. Then there was World War 2. People approached things the **same way.”**

What is one change Carol hasn’t seen in her lifetime, but wishes she had? There was no hesitation in her answer. **“Peace in the world.”**

I Am Possessed

by Virginia Cote

(A Crafternoon regular)

I see something,

A small item,

A picture or

A clip on the computer.

It triggers my mind,

I am hooked.

I must create.

How was it made?

How can I make it?

What supplies do I need?

What do I have on hand?

What can I substitute?

What if I did this instead?

Try this – try that.

This works – that don't.

A learning process.

My mind is turning -

Always thinking.

I can expand on this -

I can take it further.

Fiddle with this,

Fiddle with that,

Until I get it just right.

Until it satisfies my urge,

My overwhelming urge to create.

And then... relief.

My Craft is finally done.



WELCOME (BACK)

TO THE MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY

SEPTEMBER 5 • 5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM

Help Meredith Public Library Defend Its Status As *Granite State Library Card Challenge Reigning Champion!*

Sign up for a library card for the first time.

Sign up children for their first cards.

Check to make sure your card is current.

Bring a friend/family member/neighbor to get a card/check status.



Fun for Everyone!

- Spin the Library Prize Wheel for library swag and surprise goodies
- Light refreshments
- Tour the recently renovated facility
- Make your own bookmark
- Get info and assistance with borrowing books, audiobooks, magazines, movies, and TV shows digitally for use on electronic devices
- See classic "Happy Days" sitcom episode when Fonzie gets a library card

OPEN HOUSE FORMAT • DROP IN ANY TIME FROM 5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM



DENTAL MYTHBUSTERS

SEPARATING DENTAL FACT FROM FICTION

THURSDAY • SEPTEMBER 12
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
 in the Function Room



Dr. Paul Dubuque, D.M.D.
 Circle Dental
 Meredith, New Hampshire

Join Dr. Paul Dubuque of Circle Dental as he helps us separate fact from fiction when it comes to dental myths.

You think you're doing everything right, but if you've fallen for a common dental myth, you may not be optimizing your oral health care. In fact, you might be causing yourself unnecessary problems!

Find out the answers to these and other common questions:



- Does black charcoal really whiten teeth?
- Are cavities contagious?
- Is chewing gum just as good as brushing after a meal?
- Should you brush immediately after eating or wait 20 minutes?

ARTFUL GIVING:

Raising FUNDS for Teen Room Upgrade

PUBLIC RECEPTION

Saturday
 September 21
 11 AM - 1 PM

Meredith Library Function Room

- Original Framed Paintings
- Matted Prints
- Notecards

- Meet Artist Dr. Marc Bard
- Painting Demo and Q & A
- Light Refreshments



With support from the Meredith Village Savings Bank, Moulton Farm and the Meredith Frame Shop, Dr. Bard will be donating his work in support of the Friends of the Meredith Library during the month of September through October 18.

"Even though we completed our renovation and expansion in 2021, due to budget constraints, there were a few things we had to cut. One was new shelving for the Teen Zone," said Library Director, Erin Apostolos. "Our teen librarian Liz Rohdenberg has been doing an amazing job with outreach in the community, including working with Inter-Lakes Schools to bring a bus stop to the front of the library. Our teen numbers have sky-rocketed with the addition of an after-school program and we find we need to revamp our Teen Zone to accommodate the growth." The fundraiser will benefit upgrading shelving and furniture for teens.

Paying for College

- Setting savings goals
- Saving for college / savings options
- Financial aid

Join Matthew Rigatti, a Financial Planner and Senior Vice President from Pointes North Wealth Management, in the library Function Room for this important seminar.

Meredith Public Library
 Thursday
 September 19
 6:30 - 7:30 PM



Our Current Play:

Romeo and Juliet

WEDNESDAYS



WITH **SHAKESPEARE** 1:00 - 2:30 PM

Act I - 9/11 • Act II - 9/18 • Act III - 9/25
 Act IV - 10/2 • Act V - 10/9

Meredith Library Genealogy Club:

Using Google Tools

Tuesday, Sep. 17, 4:00PM

Search strategies, Google Books, News, Images, Maps and so much more!!

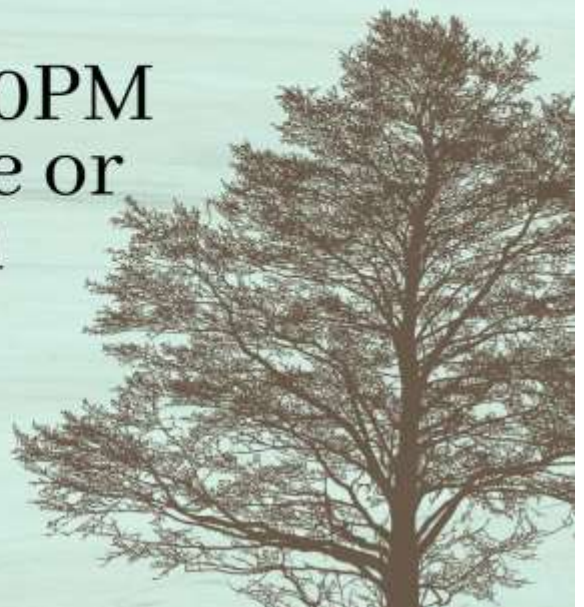
Genealogy Lock-In Oct. 25, 5-8PM

Join fellow genealogists once the library closes. Bring \$5.00 if you would like pizza. Dessert and beverages served.

Demystifying the Three Big Free Genealogical Sites presented by former Boston Public Librarian Linda MacIver

Thursday, Nov. 14, 6:30PM

Via Zoom (From Home or Broadcast in Function Room)



BOOK CLUBS

Brown Bag

Meets at 12 PM



Sept. 26

*Interior
Chinatown*
by Charles Yu



Oct. 31

*Dolores
Claiborne* by
Stephen King



Dec. 5

*Hercule
Poirot's
Christmas* by
Agatha Christie

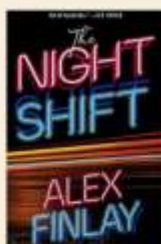
Mystery

Meets at 10:30 AM



Sept. 12

*The Midnight
Lock* by Jeffrey
Deaver



Oct. 10

The Night Shift
by Alex Finlay

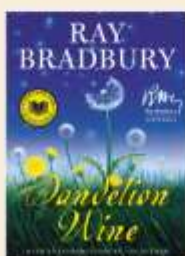


Nov. 14

*The Maltese
Falcon*
by Dashiell
Hammett

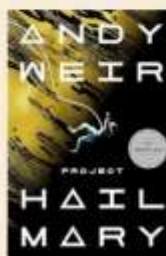
Sci Fi & Fantasy

Meets at 6:30 PM



Oct. 29

Dandelion Wine
by Ray Bradbury



Dec. 3

*The Hail Mary
Project* by
Andy Weir



Fall Crafternoons

First Fridays, 1-3PM

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

Button Tree
September 6.
Finally, a use for those old buttons!

Lighted Jack-o-lantern box October 4 with guest crafter Chris!

Turkey Gourds
Nov 1.
Dress up your dinner table!



MEET SMOKEY BEAR



WEDNESDAY · OCTOBER 2

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM · MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY

LISTEN TO A FOREST RANGER SING SONGS

GET SMOKEY BEAR SWAG



WITHIN THE CRYSTAL HILLS

An Animated Short Film Fable of the Old Man in the Mountain presented by Griffin Hansen

Thursday, October 10, 6PM

The animation process will also be discussed. For teens and adults!
Popcorn and beverages served.

THE HISTORY OF NANCY DREW: VINTAGE BOOKS, LITTLE KNOWN FACTS AND REMINISCING PRESENTED BY ALICIA MELLO

 ON SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 16

 START AT
12:30PM

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BONUS: BRING YOUR OLD NANCY DREWS AND LEARN THEIR VALUE!

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

TEEN zone

Sept 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 • Sept. 3 • 3:30-5PM

Lots of add-ins!

SLIMATORIUM



**MAKE YOUR
OWN FLUFFY
SLIME!**

Wed • Sept. 4 • 3:30-5PM

ROOT BEER FLOATS!



Thu • Sept. 5 • 3:30-5pm

**WORLD CULTURE
UNITED KINGDOM**

**UNIVERSAL
YUMS
UNBOXING**



**Every Fri.
3:30-4:30PM**

JACKBOX FRIDAYS!

DELUXE SNACKS! Your favorite Jackbox & Steam games!



TUE • SEPT. 10 • 3:30 - 5PM

D&D

Sign up online
to guarantee
your spot!



Wed • Sept. 11 • 3:30-5PM

**HOW TO MYO
GRAPHIC NOVEL**



Thu • Sept. 12 • 3:30-5pm

**Make
it!**

CD WEAVING



TUE • SEPT. 17 • 3:30 - 5PM

**BAD
ART
CLUB**



**PIXIE
CLASSES**

**3D
POSTERS**

Wed • Sept. 18 • 3:30-5PM

HARRY POTTER

**FLYING
KEYS**

Treacle Tarts



THU • SEPT. 19 • 3:30 - 5PM

**SPECIAL EVENT!
FAMOUS BRAND
vs
STORE BRAND
BLIND TASTE TEST!**

Tues • Sept. 24 • 3:30-5PM

**TIE DYE
TUESDAY**

SOCKS & DYE
PROVIDED

BYO T-SHIRT OR
OTHER ITEM



Wed • Sept. 25 • 3:30-5PM

MANGA

MYO STICKERS
& BUTTONS,
ENJOY
JAPANESE
SNACKS
& ANIME!



Thu • Sept. 26 • 3:30-5pm

**BLACKOUT
POETRY
SLAM**


CREATE, SHARE,
WIN PRIZES



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LOCATED IN THE BASEMENT
 BOOKS FOR ALL AGES
 DVDS, PUZZLES!

Two Night Special Event
Introduction to
Shakespearean Sonnets

SHAKESPEARE



AFTER DARK


Tuesday • September 24
Wednesday • September 25
6:30 - 7:45 PM

Friends of the Meredith Public Library

Book Sale

THU. SEPTEMBER 26 - 10:00 TO 4:30
FRI. SEPTEMBER 27 - 10:00 TO 4:30
SAT. SEPTEMBER 28 - 9:00 TO 1:00

JOIN US IN THE FUNCTION ROOM FOR
 GREAT BOOKS & AWESOME BARGAINS



MEREDITH LIBRARY AFTER DARK

HAUNTED GHOST TOUR

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 30**

DISCOVER THE GHOSTS THAT
 HAUNT THE MEREDITH LIBRARY

Check the website at www.MeredithLibrary.org
 for more info and registration instructions.

COME IF YOU DARE!
THEY'RE WAITING FOR YOU!



www.meredithlibrary.org

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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 Sep 10,
Oct 8, Dec 12

Various topics are discussed
and open to all experience
levels.

We Want Your Scrap Wood!

*(To be used in our
Glowforge laser engraver)*

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. Sep 6
& 20, Oct 4 & 18, Nov 1 & 15
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.)*