

# Meredith Library News

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

Fall 2025

If She Can't Find It, Nobody Can (A Talk with Always  
Affable Inter-Library Loan Librarian Cherie Gable)  
by Matthew Buteau, Adult Services Librarian

I spent a fun and informative session a while back interviewing our colleague Cherie about her background, time working at the library, and her current position in charge of Inter-Library Loans (abbreviated as ILL).

Cherie's pleasant demeanor and helpful attitude are well-known to Meredith residents as she has been working at the library for 16 years! (In fact, there's something of a Gable Dynasty at the library since her mother-in-law worked here for many years and Cherie's daughter now works at the library too.)

Cherie began by describing her background. She is a lifetime New Hampshire resident, originally hailing from the Newfound Lake area. Her undergraduate degree is in business and she later earned her MBA. Cherie previously worked at Freudenberg, an international company with a location in Bristol, NH. There, Cherie worked in Accounts Receivable dealing with many different companies. Her largest account was Ford Motor Company.

After taking time off to raise two children, Cherie returned to the workforce by joining the staff at the Meredith Public Library where she has been ever since. She began her career at the library as a Library Aide doing the "grunt work" as she explained and later spending a lot of time working in the Children's Room. Over a decade ago, she took on her present position of working with Inter-Library Loans. Cherie explains, "When our library does not own an item (and it's not a brand new item, generally meaning older than six months), we can go out and borrow it from any other library in the state." Available items include: books, DVDs, magazines, and even academic articles from college libraries.

There are 234 public libraries in New Hampshire. Cherie told us that there are about 200 which participate in the ILL system in NH. I asked her how that all works logistically considering New Hampshire towns and libraries stretch from the Canadian border to the Massachusetts border. *Continued on page 3*

"A library is not a luxury but  
one of the necessities of life."  
~ Henry Ward Beecher



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**



## News from the Children's Room!

### September & October



### Bookworm Bunch Story Time

Wed. from 10 to 11



September 3, 10, 17 & 24

October 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

Stories, crafts & snacks! All ages are welcomed! No sign-up required! Coffee & Tea served!

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### Old Home Day Story Time!

Saturday, September 6!

From 10:00 to 11:00

Visit the children's room this morning and listen to a true story that happened in New Hampshire. This story is about a little girl who got lost in the woods and was rescued by a bear! Craft & Snack



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Have a spookily good Halloween this year at our boo-tiful party!

Friday, October 24 \* 10:00 to 11:00

Enjoy a spooktacular story! Create a Halloween craft & have a treat!

Wear your costume!



### Tot Time Reading Circle \* Friday's 10 to 11

September 5, 12, 19 & 26

October 3, 10, 17, & 31

Join us in the children's room for stories, puppet friends and beautiful art work created by you! Coffee & Tea! Snacks served! Come read and play!



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### Afternoon Story Time!

### Thursday Tales Story Time!

Sept. 4, 11, 18 & 25

Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Time-1:30 to 2:30

Please join us in the children's room! If your child is not napping, come and enjoy a story, craft & snack!



## Interlibrary Loans

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Cherie explained that she enters the requests in an Internet-based system. The system uses various factors to determine which library the request will be sent to first. These factors include geographical proximity and library size. Requested items are sent via van delivery routes to the NH State Library where everything is sorted and rerouted to the receiving library. The Meredith Library gets three van drop off/pick up visitations per week. Depending on the timing and location of the materials, it can take up to two weeks for them to make their way from one library to another.

"How important is it for people to return their Inter-Library Loan materials on time?" she was asked. Cherie acknowledged that was a great question and elaborated, "It's very important because we want to keep a good relationship with the other libraries. If we have overdue things, they're not going to want to lend us their items if we are consistently late."

Patrons can put in ILL requests in several ways. They can ask at the circulation desk and a librarian will fill out the request form. People can also visit the library website and fill out a form there. They can also email Cherie at [ILL@MeredithLibrary.org](mailto:ILL@MeredithLibrary.org) or call the library to relay their requests.

Towards the end of the conversation, we discussed an important note for anyone who has taken out Inter-Library Loan materials. They should always be returned to the library that handed the materials to the patron. It is actually not helpful for patrons to bring them back to the library that owns them as that causes more work in the background.

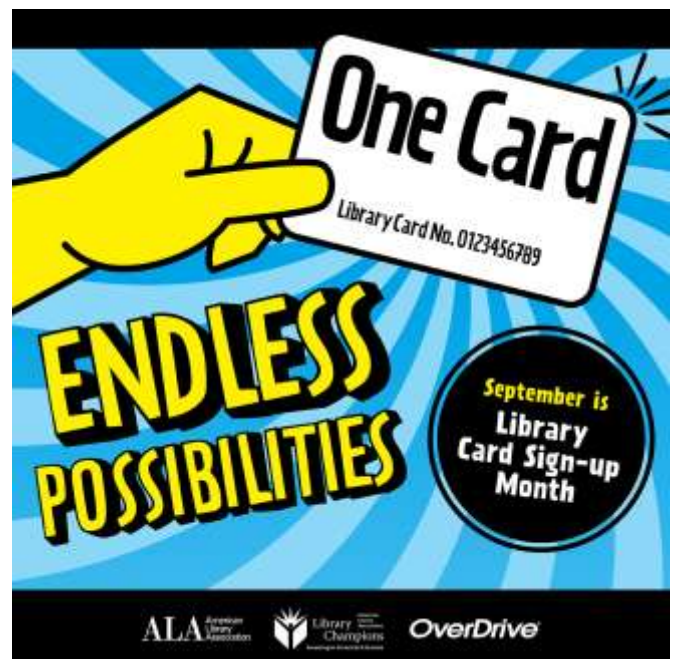
We ended the interview by asking Cherie our question of the day which was inquired about a favorite book she remembered reading from childhood. She told us she was a big fan of the *Little House* series by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

## September is Library Card Sign-up Month

Each year we compete against other libraries in NH for the coveted Library Card Sign-Up Month Trophy. The year before last we were victorious and we seek to reclaim our prize! Please help us by encouraging a friend or family member to sign-up for a Meredith Public Library card or by renewing your own. If you are set to expire in 2025, be sure to come in and renew. Visitors will get a chance to spin the prize wheel for some fantastic library swag!

Use your card to:

- Learn a foreign language.
- Check out a museum pass.
- Stream a movie or TV show.
- Download an eBook, eMagazine, or eAudio book.
- Stream music from your favorite artists.
- Research your genealogy.
- Check out a book, large print book, DVD, or print magazine.







# WELCOME HOME

TO THE MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MEREDITH OLD HOME DAY

SATURDAY · SEPTEMBER 6 · 9 AM TO 2 PM

**Meet Special Guest**

**LYNN MONTANA**

**at 1 PM**

Join Lynn (daughter of Archie comics creator Bob Montana) for a Q & A session as she answers your questions about her father's work and legacy.

**We'll be showing two  
Meredith Classics all day in a loop:**

***The Close Shave***

Meredith celebrity Bob Montana wrote and directed this silent movie starring local actors and actresses from the Meredith Village Players. Are your friends and relatives in the movie?

***Meredith:  
The First 200 Years***

Bob also wrote and directed this film comprising multiple skits that tell the history of Meredith through 1968. Again, local performers play all the parts. Recognize anyone?

- 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.
- Tour the building if you haven't seen it since before the renovations.

## Fun for Everyone!



- Spin the Library Prize Wheel for library swag and surprise goodies.
- Enjoy light refreshments.

OPEN HOUSE FORMAT · DROP IN BETWEEN 9 AM AND 2 PM

● VINTAGE ●

MEREDITH MEDIA

≡ \$10 ≡

All proceeds go to the  
Friends of the Meredith Library



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### ***Filling The Void***

Local historian and longtime *Meredith News* editor Rudy VanVeghten wrote this well-researched and detailed history of the Meredith Public Library in 1989. Discover the people and personalities that shaped the library and set the foundation we've built up on over the years.



**LAKES CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
**MEET THE ARTISTS SERIES**  
**BRIDGET POWERS**  
**MIXED MEDIA ARTIST**

**SATURDAY • SEPTEMBER 6**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**Meredith Public Library**

Create beautiful monotypes without a press! In this quick, technique-based class, Bridget Powers will show you how to make gorgeous prints with inexpensive materials. No experience necessary!

You'll learn how to apply and remove paint from the gelli plate, add texture and develop your images with stencils, stamps, paint pens and all manner of mediums and materials. It is a truly limitless process and you will be addicted.

You can use your gelli prints to create hand made greeting cards on your own later with some ideas and examples that will be shared. Be prepared to get a little messy!



**Bridget Powers**

Space is limited to 8 participants.  
 Please make your reservation  
 by emailing:  
[connect@lakescenterforarts.org](mailto:connect@lakescenterforarts.org)



The 501(c)3 non-profit Lakes Center for the Arts was created in 2019 to facilitate and encourage the growth of the arts through exhibition opportunities, marketing and business development resources, and community outreach for aspiring, emerging, and established artists and the community as a whole.

The LCA wants to make the New Hampshire Lakes Region an area businesses want to locate, people want to live and tourists want to visit for its strong arts culture as well as its recreational opportunities.

## How to Pay 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 11**  
**6:30 - 7:30 PM**



## FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

**DR. AMANDA LAJOIE EXPLORES**  
**HOW TO INCREASE YOUR BODY'S**  
**LONGEVITY AND VITALITY**



**Dr. Amanda Lajoie**  
 Awakening Chiropractic

**Wednesday • September 10**  
**6 PM - 7 PM**  
**Function Room**  
**Meredith Public Library**

There will be time for Q & A as well as snacks after the presentation.

Join Dr. Amanda Lajoie of Awakening Chiropractic as she presents a talk about understanding how our bodies age.

Aging is inevitable, it is a part of life. However, are there ways that we can slow down the aging process? Or even reverse certain aspects of it?

Come to this wonderful session and learn more about what you can do daily to increase your body's longevity and vitality for years to come!



**Awakening**  
**CHIROPRACTIC**  
 The Family Wellness Center

Join us in the Maker Space on the second  
 Saturday of every month and  
 discover how to do something new!

- **Hands On Demonstrations**
- **Something To Take Home**

## Maker Space Saturdays

September 13 @ 11 AM  
 Use the embroidery  
 machine to create  
 a personalized napkin.

Each Saturday session  
 introduces you to a  
 different piece of equipment  
 and lets you learn how to use  
 that equipment to create  
 your own item.



Check the events calendar for  
 each month's fun activity!





**LAKES CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
**MEET THE ARTISTS SERIES**  
**ROBIN CORNWELL**  
**FABRIC ARTIST**

**SATURDAY • October 4**  
**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**  
**Meredith Public Library**

Printing real leaves directly on fabric is a great way to preserve their wonderful shapes. This technique works well to embellish clothing, dish towels, pillow cases or what have you!

Participants will practice the technique of printing real leaves directly on fabric. The artist will demonstrate the products and techniques she uses for her Art Quilts. There will be numerous leaf shapes to work with and each person will "leave" with a sample piece of their prints on fabric and a list of materials if they want to pursue this process on their own.



**Fabric Art by  
Robin Cornwell**

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# SALEM, MA • 1692 ...

## OCTOBER MOVIE SATURDAYS



**SATURDAY • OCT 18**  
**10:30 AM TO 1:30 PM**

**SATURDAY • OCT 25**  
**11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM**



## THE CAPITAL CRIME OF WITCHCRAFT: WHAT THE PRIMARY SOURCES TELL US PRESENTED BY MARGO BURNS

This program focuses on the Salem witchcraft trials of 1692 and 1693, when nineteen people were hanged and one crushed to death, but also examines a variety of other cases against women in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. Paid for by a grant from the NH Humanities Council and by the Friends of the Meredith Library.



**THURSDAY**  
**OCTOBER 30**  
**6:30PM**  
**MEREDITH LIBRARY**  
**91 MAIN STREET**

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MEREDITH LIBRARY

# TEEN ZONE

## SEPTEMBER 2025



### 9/9

#### WEEK ONE

WELCOME BACK TEEN ZONE SOCIAL  
STRING LANTERNS  
AIR CLAY DAY  
JACKBOX GAMES



### 9/16

#### WEEK TWO

BLACKOUT POETRY  
GIANT JENGA  
BAD ART CLUB  
JACKBOX GAMES



### 9/23

#### WEEK THREE

DIGITAL ART ON PROCREATE  
GIANT COLOR-BY-NUMBER  
AIR CLAY DAY  
JACKBOX GAMES



### 9/30

#### WEEK FOUR

AMONG US  
TEEN TRIVIA  
MYO PAPER BEADS  
JACKBOX GAMES

**AFTER SCHOOL TUES-FRI 3:30-5PM**

PROGRAMS ARE OPEN TO KIDS 10+, HOWEVER, THE LIBRARY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISION



OCTOBER 2025

MEREDITH LIBRARY



# TEEN ZONE



## EVENTS, GAMES, AND FUN

**9/30**

AMONG US  
TEEN TRIVIA  
MYO PAPER BEADS  
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/7**

AIR CLAY DAY  
GIANT JENGA  
WORLD CULTURE DAY  
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/14**

AMONG US  
ANIME AFTERSCHOOL HANG  
PUMPKIN CARVING  
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/21**

AMONG US  
DIGITAL ART  
AIR CLAY DAY  
JACKBOX GAMES

**10/28**

LUMINARY JARS  
MAGIC SHOW  
OLD SCHOOL GAME REVIVAL  
JACKBOX GAMES

### WORLD CULTURE DAY

*special guest*

**MS. LIZ**

FOR AGES 10-18 AFTER SCHOOL FROM 3:30-5 PM

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# Fall Crafternoons

## First Fridays, 1-3PM

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



**Simple Halloween  
Cross Stitch  
October 3**

**Thanksgiving Mason  
Jars November 7**



**Cork Christmas Tree  
December 5**





# BOOK CLUBS

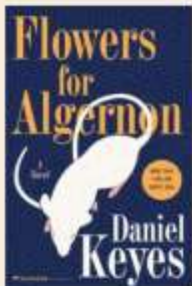
## Brown Bag

Meets at 12 PM

SEP 25

OCT 30

DEC 4



*Flowers for Algernon*  
by Daniel Keyes



*Daisy Jones & the Six*  
by Taylor Jenkins Reid



*Comfort & Joy*  
by Kristin Hannah

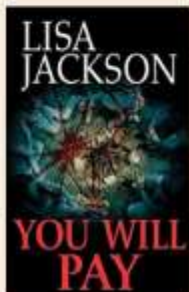
## Mystery

Meets at 10:30 AM

SEP 11

OCT 9

NOV 13



*You Will Pay*  
by Lisa Jackson



*Death by Chocolate Chip Cupcake*  
by Sarah Graves



*The Game Is A Footnote*  
by Vicki Delany

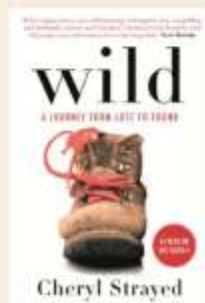
## Non-Fiction

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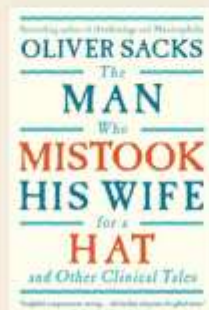
SEP 30

OCT 28

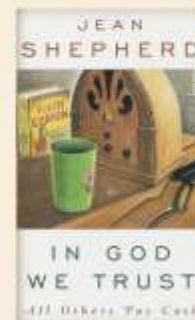
Nov 25



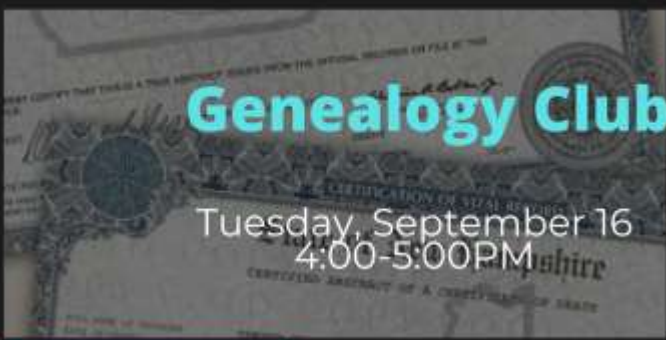
*Wild*  
by Cheryl Strayed



*The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat*  
by Oliver Sacks




*In God We Trust: All Others Pay Cash*  
by Jean Shepherd



**Genealogy Club**  
Tuesday, September 16  
4:00-5:00PM

Genealogy Club returns!  
Join us on the third  
Tuesday of each month  
at 4:00PM.

This month we will be  
reacquainting ourselves  
with the library's  
genealogy databases  
including Ancestry  
Library Edition, American  
Ancestors and  
FamilySearch Library  
Affiliate. Light  
refreshments served.



Our Current Play:

# Love's Labor's Lost

WEDNESDAYS



WITH SHAKESPEARE

1:00 - 2:30 PM


Act I - 9/10 • Act II - 9/17 • Act III - 9/24  
Act IV - 10/1 • Act V - 10/8

Friends of the Meredith Public Library

# Book Sale

THU. SEP 25 - 10:00 TO 4:30  
FRI. SEP 26 - 10:00 TO 4:30  
SAT. SEP 27 - 9:00 TO 1:00

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




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



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





# MAGIC SHOW

**WEDNESDAY • OCT 29**

**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**HALLOWEEN MAGIC SHOW**

**ALL AGES WELCOME**



**WEDNESDAY • OCT 29**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM**

**KIDS' MAGIC LESSON**

**(SIGN-UP REQUIRED FOR LESSON)**



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## MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY

PO BOX 808  
91 MAIN STREET  
MEREDITH, NH 03253

Phone: 603-279-4303  
Fax: 603-677-7005  
E-mail: erin@meredithlibrary.org

### 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. 9.  
Oct. 14 No meeting in Nov.

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. 5, 19  
Oct. 3, 17, 31  
Nov. 14 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.)*