

August 19, 2025

We hope everyone got to enjoy Gilford Old Home Day to the fullest and are ready to get back in the library, back to school, and back to work.

Here at the library we have two final programs for August before we shutter our doors for the Labor Day Weekend. Tonight at 7:30pm, we will be showing a movie outdoors in our garage driveway. Bring the family! On Wednesday the 27th, we have "Bats & Bombs" at 4pm, the story of a misguided WWII endeavor to use our winged friends as agents of war.

And closing out the month the library will be closed both Saturday the 30th, and Monday the 1st for the Labor Day holiday. Make sure you stop in beforehand to get enough reading material to last through the long weekend! We'll see you afterwards here at the library.

On the Librarian's Nightstand: Raising Hare by Chloe Dalton

Old Home Day Leveled Up this year!



Boost Your Brain

CHLOE DALTON 'More than a wildlife nemoir . . . A masterpiece' CLARE BALDING 'A great and important tale for our times' MICHAEL MORPURGO This book is exceptional' The Sunday Times Bestseller

"Ms. Dalton has given us a portrait, both ephemeral and real, of a 'creature of habit, set hours and favorite places, that walks so lightly on this earth, and that can be trusting on its own terms.' She seems to share Hare's traits of serenity, stillness and alertness to danger. It's a testament to her skills of observation that the two reflect and enhance each other in unexpected, often remarkable ways."

-Wall Street Journal

Moderation

by Elaine Castillo

The Blond Who Came In From The Cold

by Ally Carter

Salt Bones by Jennifer Givhan

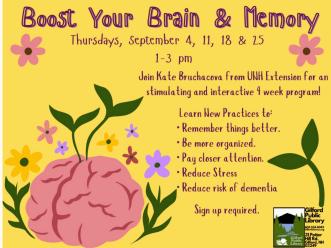
When Cranes Fly South by Lisa Ridzen

The Unkillable Frank Lightning

by Josh Rountree

We Should All Be Birds by Brian Buckbee

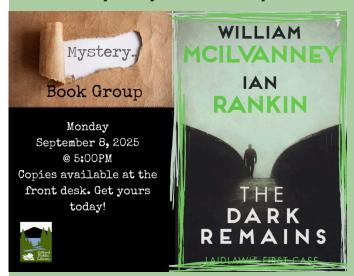
Sheepdogs by Elliot Ackerman



Learn new practices to remember things better, be more organized, pay closer attention, reduce stress, and reduce risk of dementia. Space is limited and sign up is required.

Thursdays in September @ 1:00 p.m.

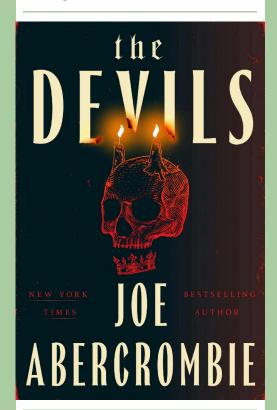
Mystery Book Group



Join us for this month's mystery book group! Betty Tidd will lead the discussion of The Dark Remains by William McIlvanney. Books are available at the front desk.

Monday, September 8 @ 5:00 p.m.

Book of the Week: *The Devils*by Joe Abercrombie



A capable monk travels to the Sacred City where he believes he shall be rewarded with commendation and a new assignment. What he gets instead is a new assignment rife with perils and creatures most foul. He must set out with his new confederates in an effort to quell growing tensions near the border. Dark and grim, this is the quality type of writing we've come to expect from Abercrombie.

Links of the Week

The Most Read Books on Goodreads This Week

Bookriot's Best New Book Releases Out August 19, 2025

The End of Handwriting?

Children's Corner

This Week at the Library

The Library will be closed on Saturday, August 30 and Monday, September 1 for Labor Day weekend.

Adults

Geri Fit

Today, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Please bring your own 2-3 pound dumbbell, a stretch band, and water to drink during the workout.

Senior Sculpt

Today, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Exercise for 55+. Bring 2 -3 lb. dumbbell, a stretch band and water.

Bridge

Today, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Play a hand or two of bridge.

Intermediate Line Dancing

Today, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Line Dancing class with Bonnie.

Senior Stretch Yogaaah!

Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Lani Voivod will lead us through stretches. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Card Games

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Play a few rounds of "Pay Me".

Check Out An Expert

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Receive help with your computer or all things electronic.

Paint Group

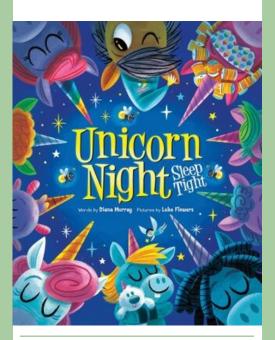
Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Bring your supplies to work on your projects with other artists.

Bats and Bombs

Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Learning can be hard, so why not make it fun? With kids getting ready to go back to school, <u>PBS Kids</u> has a bunch of fun educational games that your little ones can play for free! Also, we have a lot of educational books at the library that are intriguing, like our featured book for the week.

Featured Book: *Unicorn Night: Sleep Tight* by Diana Murray



Word of the Week

Undulant

adjective

Rising and falling in waves, or having a wavy form, outline, or surface.

UN-juh-lunt

"The exhibit featured a painting with beautiful green strokes that resembled undulant hills."

Upcoming Events

Naturalist Susie Spikol will tell an amazing story about how the US military planned to use bats in World War II.

Geri Fit

Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Please bring your own 2 - 3 lb. dumbbell, a stretch band and water to drink during the workout.

Fun and Fitness With Joyce

Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Enjoy exercising with others.

French Club

Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Senior Sculpt

Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Exercise for 55+. Bring 2 -3 lb. dumbbell, a stretch band and water.

Radiant Summer Flow A 7-week Chair Yoga Journey.

Fridays, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. July 11, 18, 25 August 8, 15, 22, 29 Cost: \$55.00; Led by Lani Voivod, preregistration is required. Class is full.

Bridge

Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Play a hand or two of bridge.

Hand and Foot

Friday, 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Come play a few rounds of this fun card game.

Happy Crafters

Friday, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. All crafters welcome!

Advanced German

Friday, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Join our weekly class for advanced conversational German.

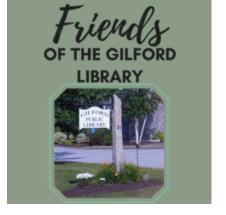
Lower Intermediate Line Dancing

Friday, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Class with Bonnie Deutch.

Beginner Line Dancing

Friday, 5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Class with Bonnie Deutch.

Children



Old Home Day was a success!

Our book, pie and raffle sales were highly successful at Old Home Day because of bakers, workers, staff and customers! On behalf of the Friends, please accept our huge thanks. You are ALL appreciated!!!!

If anyone found a hearing aid during Old Home Day, please contact the library.

Family Night Movie

Today, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy an outdoor movie with popcorn, candy and drinks!

T(w)eens

End Of Summer Scrapbooking

Today, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Bring your photos, postcards and other bits and bobs to make a collage of your summer adventures.

Good luck to this year's kindergarten class!



Did you know...you are eligible for a UNH library card? As a New Hampshire resident you can sign up for a free UNH library card that brings with it a brand new benefit. They have recently become a FamilySearch affiliate library, meaning they have access to the full breadth of genealogical information that FamilySearch provides. If you're thinking about digging into your family's past, consider signing up for a UNH library card today.







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