



August 4, 2026

It's Prize Week!

You all have been working so hard on your Summer Reading Passports to earn badge points toward great prizes. This week you can finally redeem them! Come to the library with your passport any day this week to snag your goodies.

Although our Finale is next week, there are few exciting programs this week (two of them this evening!) that we would love to see you at. You'll be able to explore neuroscience with the kids at "Mind Tricks," learn about the ruby throated hummingbird at "Hummingbirds: Wonder on Wings," and see and build some amazing LEGO creations at "LEGO Day with C3Brix." And that's not even touching all of our recurring programs!

There is always [something at the library](#) to get you out of the house and experiencing something new!

Photo of the Week



**Museum
Passes**

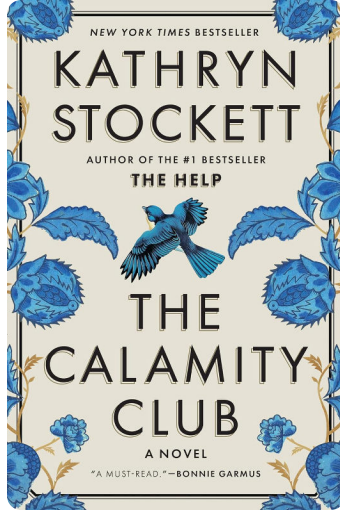
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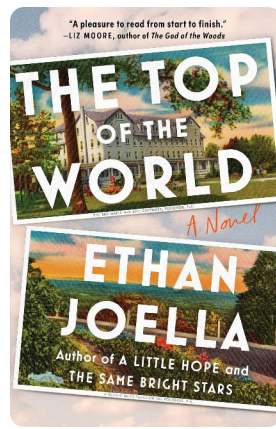
It's easy to get in some reading time when you're surrounded by great books!

**On the Librarian's Nightstand
Calamity by Kathryn Stockett**

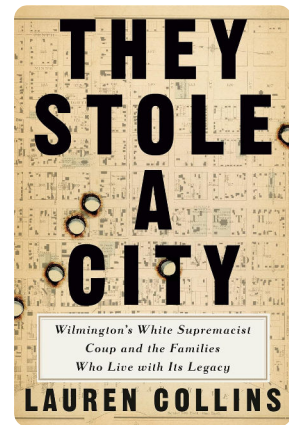


"Stockett's vibrant novel, traces the intersecting lives of an exasperated older sister, a precocious orphan, and an enterprising woman in 1933 Mississippi. By turns hilarious and heartbreaking, this offers a memorable view into the impossible choices faced by women in the Great Depression.

— Publishers Weekly



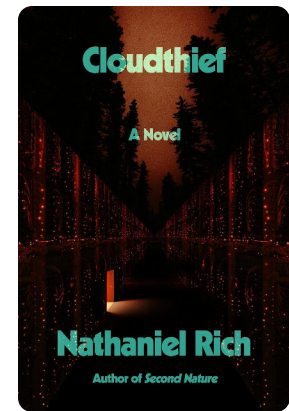
The Top of the World
by Ethan Joella



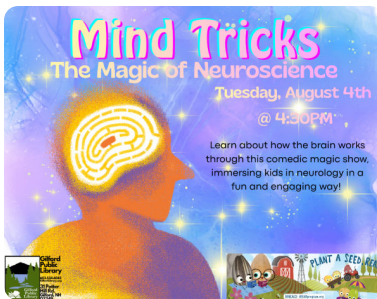
They Stole A City
by Lauren Collins



In Wonderland
by Joyce Maynard



Cloudthief
by Nathaniel Rich



Mind Tricks

Learn about how the brain works through this comedic magic show, immersing kids in neurology in a fun and engaging way!

Tuesday, August 4 @ 4:30PM



Hummingbirds: Wonder on Wings

Come explore the wild side of one of the most spectacular visitors to our local woods during the summer.

Tuesday, August 4 @ 5:45PM



C3Brix

Nationally famous Cody Wells of his company C3Brix will joining us for lots of LEGO fun!

Friday, August 7 @ 9:00AM



DVD of the Week

The Bride

A bizarre re-imagining of the tale of the Bride of Frankenstein. Set against a backdrop of 1930's Chicago, when violence and revelry are at a peak. A woman, the victim of a crime, is reborn and embarks on a new life with a new lover. A tad style over substance but a fun enough viewing. Starring Jessie Buckley and Christian Bale.

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Links of the Week

[It's Literally Summer! 93 Topical Titles for Your Seasonal Reading List](#)

[Don't Miss Today's Newfound Nature Series | How Climate Change is Reshaping New Hampshire's Forests](#)

[A Book Found Bricked in a Fireplace is Returned to an Australian Library, 150 Years Overdue](#)

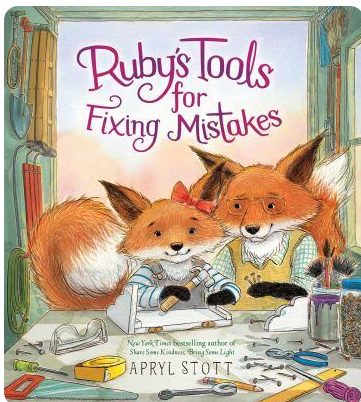
GPL'S Word of the Week

Decry

verb: to express strong disapproval of something.

pronunciation: dih-KRY

The editorial decried the shuttering of the movie theater, which has been a local landmark for many years.



Featured Book:
Ruby's Tools for Fixing Mistakes by Apryl Stott

Children's Corner

Come in with your passports to receive your prizes this week if you haven't yet! Share with us which event you liked the most by posting a picture and tagging us on Facebook or Instagram.

Our Summer Reading Program Finale with the Monadnock Falconry is next week on August 12th at 4pm!

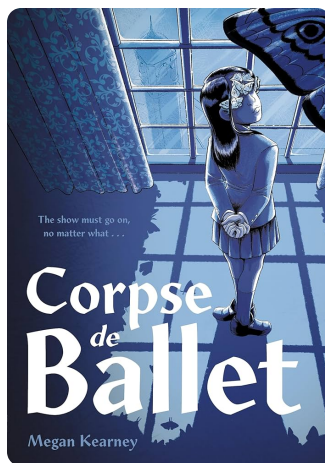


Featured program:
Celebrate the end of our Summer Reading Program with a flying presentation from Monadnock Falconry!

**Wednesday,
August 30 @ 4:00PM**

Teen Scene

It's been a busy summer but back to school is almost here and we are gearing up for another fun year! Come September, teen events will be back in full swing including a new Graphic Novel Club aimed at middle schoolers. This group will meet monthly at the Gilford Village Store where we will be providing pizza and a free book that you can keep! Space is limited so be ready when sign ups go live.



Featured Book:
Corpse de Ballet
by Megan Kearney



Featured Program:
Join Linda Barry for this \$10 one-day baby sitting course for ages 12 and up.

Friday, August 7 @ 9:00AM

Recurring Programs



Exercise



Play



Tech Help

Featured Artist: Mini Canvas Contest



Have you seen this month's artist? Check out the masterpieces created by our community!

Did You Know?

Did you know about the Summer Reading Program canvas contest?

During the Summer Reading Program, those who were so inclined received a tiny canvas with which to showcase their art. We'll be displaying the pieces during the month of August and have arranged for voting for your favorites between August 3rd and 12th. The winner will be announced on Wednesday, August 12 during our finale at 4pm.

For those that participated, be sure to get your canvases turned in so you have a chance to win.

Nature Corner: Hidden In Plain Site

By Wendy Oellers-Fulmer

In the middle of a large lake lies a rookery bustling with water birds. During an earlier visit, we had spotted several Common Terns that appeared to be nesting among the rocky boulders. Curious to see whether any chicks had hatched, we returned this week and searched carefully...but saw nothing.



Then my husband, Ron, pointed toward what appeared to be nothing more than a patch of lichen-covered rock.

To our amazement, it blinked. Then it moved.

It was a [Common Tern](#) chick. ([Continue reading...](#))



Passports

Notary

Become a
Volunteer

Become a
Friend

Get To Know Your GPL Team

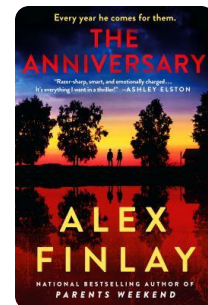


Arielle, Assistant Director

Do you have a favorite summer activity?

For my kids (one at 2 years and the other at 4 months), they love playing in the kiddie pool and sprinkler at their grandparents' house. That is, when I can get them away from books and Duplos.

I'm excited to see if something new gets added next year!



The Anniversary
by Alex Finlay

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