



**July 1, 2025**

July is upon us and is absolutely packed with fabulous programs. This week, you can enjoy all of our recurring weekly programs including exercise every day, card games, and more. There is something for all ages with storytimes for the kids and a drop-in teen craft all week. With the Summer Reading Programs now in full-swing, you can earn wonderful prizes just by reading those books you were going to anyway.

We will be closed for the July 4th holiday on Friday, so make sure you come and grab some books to get you through. We'll be back open and ready on Saturday.

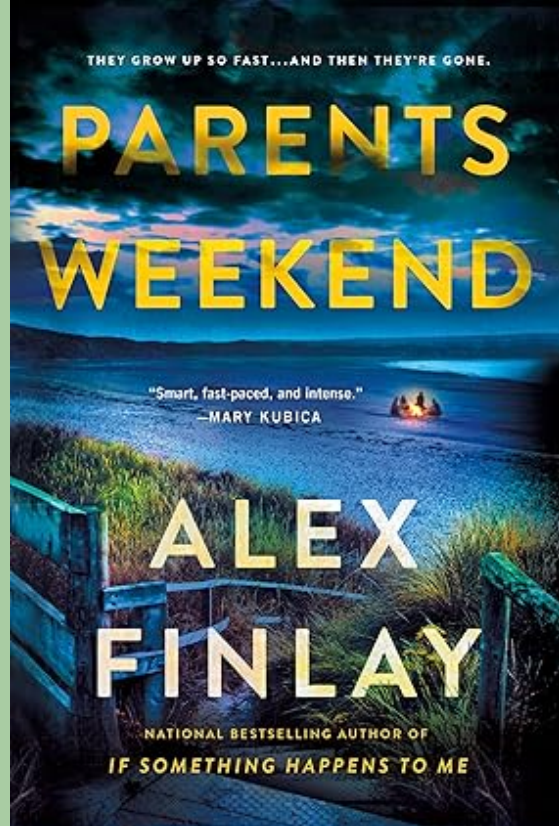
July's shaping up to be a blast so check out [the calendar](#) for all the fun that is to come.

**On the Librarian's  
Nightstand:  
*Parents Weekend*  
by Alex Finlay**

**A great turn out for our  
Summer Reading Kick-Off!**



**Exercise Social Luau**



"From one of the genre's best . . . Finlay has a gift for intertwining many storylines and characters in a cohesive, compelling way. The tropes used here don't feel stale, and plenty of surprises and red herrings will keep readers interested. Fans won't want to miss Finlay's latest."  
—*Booklist*

### **Atmosphere**

by Taylor Jenkins Reid

### **I'll Be Right Here**

by Amy Bloom

### **The Four Engagement Rings of Sybil Rain**

by Hannah Brown

### **The Ex-Girlfriend Murder Club**

by Gloria Chao

### **The Cure For Women**

by Lydia Reeder

### **Private Rites**

by Julia Armfield

### **The Irish Girl**

by Ashley E. Sweeney

### **We All Live Here**

by Jojo Moyes

**EXERCISE SOCIAL  
LUAU**

**JULY 17 @ 10:00**

Stop by and socialize with your exercise buddies from Fun and Fitness, Geri-Fit, Senior Sculpt, Yoga and Line Dancing. Meet new people, laugh and enjoy light refreshments. Dress in your best Hawaiian attire!

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**Thursday, July 17 @ 10:00 a.m.**

## **A Yellowstone Spring**

### **A Yellowstone Spring: New Life Begins**

**July 22 @ 5:30**



Prepare to be amazed and delighted with Joe Callanan, wildlife photographer.



Natural History Educator, Joe Callanan, relates the remarkable tales from his adventures in the wilds of Yellowstone National Park.

**Tuesday, July 22 @ 5:30 p.m.**

**Book of the Week:**  
***Dark Maestro***  
**by Brendan Slocumb**



Having to give up everything they dreamed of to go into witness protection, our hero Curtis and his family realize they are the only ones that can guarantee their safety. They adopt new personas with which to fight back against the powers that would see them destroyed. Moving and insightful about the indomitable human spirit it's a thrilling read.

**Links of the Week**

[The Most Read Books on Goodreads This Week](#)

[Bookriot's Best New Book Releases Out June 24, 2025](#)

[New Hampshire Fourth of July Fireworks, Parades and Independence Day Celebrations](#)

[Where to Pick Your Own Strawberries](#)

**This Week at the Library**

**The Library will be closed on Friday, July 4th for Independence Day.**

**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.

**Living With Grief**

Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
This support group provides mutual support for those dealing with loss of a loved one.

**Paint Group**

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



## Children's Corner

**Seacoast Science Center,**  
**Squam Lakes Science**  
**Center** and other museum passes we offer are open! All of our library passes are discounted or free admission. Check out their websites for more information on requirements and reservations. Come in or call us to reserve a library pass today!

**Featured Book:** *Firefly Song* by Colleen Paeff



## Word of the Week

**Bemuse**  
*verb*

To be confused, bewildered or somewhat amused by something.

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"The contestant seemed somewhat bemused by the question, but gave the correct answer."

## Upcoming Events

### 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.

### French Club

Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Join the library's ongoing conversational French group.

### Beginner Line Dancing

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Class with Bonnie Deutch.

### Fun and Fitness with Joyce

Monday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Enjoy exercising with others.

### Tai Chi Practice

Monday, 10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Know basic tai chi moves? Come to this weekly program to practice.

### Mahjong

Monday, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### Mystery Book Group

Monday, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Betty Tidd will lead the discussion of *The Searcher* by Tana French.

## Children

### Summer Storytime

Today, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Enjoy a variety of amazing themed stories with Miss Linda.

### Storytime at the Beach

Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Come to the Gilford beach for an exciting storytime and prize.  
Limited to Gilford residents.

### Baby Storytime

Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Come for an interactive summer storytime.

## T(w)eens

### T(ween) Drop-In: Among Us Felt Craft

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Make a crewmate (or two) to take home in this easy craft!



**The Rise & Fall of NH  
Railroads**  
With Frank J. Barrett.  
**Thursday, July 10  
@ 5:30PM**

**T(ween) Drop-In: Library Mini  
Golf**

Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Test your putting and see if you can  
beat the course record!

**Nature Corner: Make  
Way for Ducklings  
by Wendy Oellers-Fulmer**

Last week, we delightedly watched a Mother Common Goldeneye duck and her three chicks diving for food. Like Mergansers and Wood Ducks, Common Goldeneyes are tree nesters, choosing cavities in trees made by Pileated Woodpeckers. These nests can be high up in the trees as much as 40 to 60 feet.



The Goldeneye chicks are ready to go one day after they hatch. Mama Goldeneye will stand at the base and call for the chicks to jump. One after another, they will leap and tumble to the ground. Their lightweight bodies and soft, fluffy down feathers help protect them from getting hurt. The ground below is layered with leaves and moss, providing a soft landing.

Once they reach water, they can feed themselves, and basically only need the parent for protection. One curious fact is that some females will abandon their brood, and the young ones will join another female's family. If there's a territorial fight, the young sometimes get mixed up and end up with another parent.

To discover more:  
[Common Goldeneye](#)

**Did you know...**that Summer Reading has begun? The much anticipated Summer Reading Program makes its triumphant return with the theme of "Level UP at Your Library." All Summer long we'll have engaging programs, good reads, and prizes galore for all of you looking to participate. With a program and prizes geared towards: adults, teens, and children respectively, there's a little something for everyone!

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