



April 14, 2026

Greetings!

Our schedule this week is easy and breezy so I'll have you outta here in a jiff.

Later today we have the "Southern Isles of Lake Winni" at 5:30pm, with Stephanie Erickson, local historian and author who will take you on a little jaunt through the history of some of Winnepesaukee's islands. Then on Thursday the 16th at 10:30am, we have Gilford's Golden Guardians. See what service dogs can do! In addition, next week is National Library Week across the country and in addition to fine forgiveness, we'll have several special programs running throughout the week.

And that covers it folks, tune your rabbit ears to our library channels for all the great news to come.

On the Librarian's Nightstand: *Mothers And Other Strangers* by Corey Ann Haydu



Early Release Wooden Magnets



Gilford's Golden Guardians

"Haydu's wonderful adult debut explores the interwoven lives of two families. . . . Haydu expertly seeds the narrative . . . and stacks the plot with surprises. It's a beautiful tale of complicated friendships."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

Son Of Nobody
by Yann Martel

The News From Dublin
by Colm Toibin

The Keeper
by Tana French

Women Of A Promiscuous Nature
by Donna Everhart

Upward Bound
by Woody Brown

Life
by Elizabeth Berg

GILFORD'S GOLDEN GUARDIANS



THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH @ 10:30AM

Learn all about Gilford's Golden Guardians and what these service dogs can do!

Visit their website at www.gilfordsgoldenguardians.com



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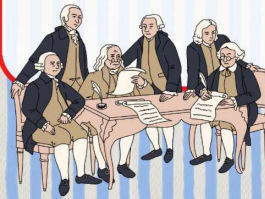
Thursday, April 16 @ 10:30AM

Special Historical Storytime

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Join us for a special historical storytime including a history themed craft and snack that's presented by a student!

April 16th
3:30 PM



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Thursday, April 16 @ 3:30PM

Book of the Week:
Eradication: A Fable by
Jonathan Miles

This Week at the Library

Adults

Feel Good Fitness With Dottie

Today, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

A fun hour of stretching, toning and balance for all levels. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Senior Sculpt

Today, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



ERADICATION
A FABLE AUTHOR OF
DEAR AMERICAN AIRLINES
JONATHAN MILES

A man is bidden to spend 5 weeks on a deserted island with nothing but the local fauna to keep him company. As a desperate attempt to save the world, he must protect the island and perhaps even forge a path to saving the world for real. Strange yet uplifting, it's a fun read with an interesting premise.

Links of the Week

[9 New Books Recommended by Readers This Week](#)

[The Laconia Daily Sun's Article on our New Grant!](#)

[Take a Day Trip to Concord for Cars & Coffee on Capital](#)

Children's Corner

Educate Station is an online resource that can be accessed on the computers in the Children's Room. It provides learning plans in a variety of subjects and hands-on activities for Pre-Kindergarten up to 5th Grade. It's great for kids to do at home or at school providing a joyful learning experience!

Featured Book: *We All Love* by Julie Flett

Bring a 2 - 3 lb. dumbbell, stretch band and water. For ages 55+.

Beginner Line Dancing

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

History of the Islands of Southern Lake Winni

Today, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Local author and Islander, Stephanie Erickson, shares the history of the islands.

Geri Fit

Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Please bring your own 2-3 pound dumbbell, a stretch band, and water.

Senior Stretch Yogaah!

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00

Lani Voivod will lead a relaxing and stretching class designed for seniors.

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 and all things technology.

Paint Group

Wednesday, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Bring your supplies to work on your projects with other artists.

Senior Sculpt

Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Exercise for 55+. Bring 2 -3 lb. dumbbell, a stretch band and water.

Fun and Fitness With Joyce

Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Enjoy exercising with others. Space is limited.

Gilford's Golden Guardians

Thursday, 10:30 a.m. -11:30

Learn all about what these service dogs can do.

French Club

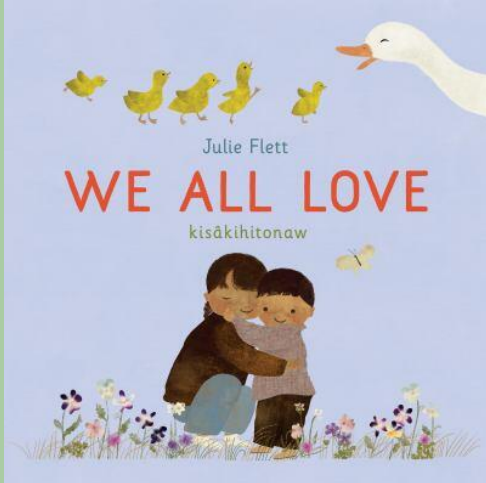
Thursday, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Join the ongoing conversational French Group.

Book Discussion: North Woods

Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Rhetta will lead the discussion on this book by Daniel Mason.



Word of the Week

Laconic
adjective

Someone or something communicating with few words OR concise to the point of seeming rude or mysterious.

luh-KAH-nik

"The stand-up comedian is known for his laconic wit and mastery of the one-liner."

Upcoming Events

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Join us for our popular Touch-A-Truck event!
See a different vehicle each day and collect your sticker!

APRIL 20TH-24TH @ 10:30AM

Sponsored by Friends of the Gilford Library

National Library Week: Touch-A-Truck

Join us for our popular event and see a different vehicle each day.

April 20 - 24
@ 10:30PM

Geri Fit

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

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.

Beginner Line Dancing

Friday, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Lower intermediate class with Bonnie Deutch.

Beginner Line Dancing

Saturday, 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Class with Bonnie Deutch.

Tai Chi Practice

Monday, 9:00 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Know basic tai chi moves? Come to this weekly program to practice. *Please note time change for today only!*

Mahjong

Monday, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
If you know how to play this tile-based strategy game, come to the library and join in the fun!

T(w)een

Home School Group

Today, 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Join our every other Tuesday group.

Egg Carton Pong

Thursday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Compete with your friends at this festive game!

National Library Week: Magnets

Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Make your own magnets to Celebrate National Library Week!

Children

Gilford's Golden Guardians



April 22nd @ 4:00pm

*Joy is not something we earn, it's something we allow.
Join Carol Wallace and Dottie Bergeron
for some fun in reconnecting our joy!*

Awaken your Joy

Join Carol Wallace and Dottie Bergeron for some fun in reconnecting our joy!

**Wednesday, April 22
@ 4:00PM**



Books in Bloom Reception

We will be announcing the winner of the Books in Bloom contest and serving light refreshments.

**Friday, April 24
@ 12:30PM**

Thursday, 10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.
Learn all about what these service dogs can do.

Special Historical Storytime

Thursday, 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.

Come for a special historical story, craft and snack, presented by a Gilford High School student!

Drop-In Craft: Spring Bottle Cap Flowers

Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Make your own flower art with mixed mediums.

Touch-A-Truck Week

April 20 - 24

Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Monday - Police

Tuesday - Fire

Wednesday - DPW

Thursday - School Bus

Friday - DPW

Nature Corner: Signs of Spring #4: They're Back!

By Wendy Oellers-Fulmer

Great blue herons are back in the Lakes Region! These elegant birds are renowned for their ability to stand motionless, but with lightning speed they can dart down to capture their prey.

The great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*) is the largest of North America's herons, with a height of 3.2-4.5 feet and a wingspan that can reach nearly 6.6 feet. Despite their size, these majestic birds actually only weigh between 5-7 pounds as a result of their hollow bones.



Herons usually live in colonies which can reach up to 500 nests that can usually be seen high up in the trees. The male, after choosing a mate, will collect the nesting material which the female will then proceed to weave into a nest.

Hérons will sometime reuse nests from previous years which they enhance and repair using pine needles, moss, reeds, dry grass and/or small twigs. This process of nest building can take from 3 days up two weeks. Once the clutch of 2 to 6 eggs are laid, both parents take turns sitting on the nest. The incubation period lasts between 25-29 days.

The bond between a mating pair only lasts for the breeding season, come time for the next year the herons will choose different mates and begin the process over again.

Tune in for the next installment of Signs of Spring where we will continue once the chicks have hatched.

To discover more, check out the [Cornell Lab of Ornithology](#).

Did you know...we accept book donations? We are on the cusp of spring cleaning, and while you're culling your book collection please think of us. We accept book donations all year long for both our collection and in anticipation of the large Old Home Day book sale. Our only stipulations on donating are: They must be in reasonable condition, and we do not accept bibles, textbooks, periodicals, or VHS tapes. So if you're looking to unload some literary tonnage look no further than the library.

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