

## COOLER WEATHER CHANGES TO SERVICES

The library is open its regular hours with COVID-19 requirements that include mask wearing, hand sanitizing, and limits on the number of people in the building at a time. Calling ahead, especially for computer use, helps staff plan. Call 323-8510 to make an appointment.

**Curbside pickup:** Beginning October 2, books and other library items will be packed and placed on the new pickup shelf in the foyer. If you prefer not to enter the foyer, call ahead and a library staff member will bring your items outside for you.

**Document services:** For copying, faxing, scanning, printing, please come in to the library, where a staff member will assist you. If you prefer not to enter, please call ahead to make arrangements for outside drop-off/pickup.

**Meeting room:** Our large meeting room will be available by appointment beginning October 13 for small groups of up to 10 people. No other library spaces will be available for meetings, and meetings should be scheduled during the library's open hours. There are further COVID-related requirements, call for details.

**Outdoor spaces:** Our outdoor spaces, front and back, will remain available for wifi and other use as long as weather permits.

## KIDS' PROGRAMS

**Storytimes:** Weekly on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in person outside behind the library. If the weather is truly awful, come to Storytime on Zoom. Contact [amy@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:amy@tamworthlibrary.org) for Zoom link.

**Yoga for preschoolers:** Weekly on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom beginning in October, and meeting weekly except on school vacation days. Tara Schroder leads a half-hour yoga time for 2- to 5-year-olds and their parents or caregivers. Friends of Cook Memorial Library provided funding for this program. Contact [cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org) for Zoom link.

**Play pods:** Parents/caregivers are invited to learn how to support child-directed play at home. Scheduled as three weekly meetings for each small group session, this parent/child class meets outside the library. Contact Polly at [polly@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:polly@tamworthlibrary.org) for details.

**Ladybug Book Award:** Amy will be visiting the K. A. Brett School this month to read the nominees for NH Center for the Book's annual children's picture book award. Kids will vote on their favorite book, and votes will be combined statewide to determine the winner. See a list of this year's nominees at <https://www.nh.gov/nhsl/bookcenter/programs/ladybug.html>

## READ, REFLECT, DISCUSS

**Race and racism discussion group:** This group will meet for the next several weeks to do the work outlined in the book *Me and White Supremacy* by Layla F. Saad. There are a couple of copies of the print book left, and several ebook copies available to borrow on NH Downloadable Books if you wish to join the group or work through the book on your own. Call for more information.

**Nonfiction book group:** New group will meet every other month beginning in November, date and meeting format TBA. November's book will be *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson. Several copies of this new book will be available to borrow, thanks to donations to the library made in memory of Benedict Joseph (Joe) Semmes. Let us know if you're interested.

**Fiction book group:** Will meet every other month beginning in December. Now is the time to nominate a title that you would like to discuss with others. Meeting format to be determined. Send suggestions to [cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org).

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## LIBRARY UPDATES

**CLOSED Monday October 12.**

**Staff meeting October 19:** The library will be closed from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on Monday, October 19 for a library staff meeting.

**Trustee vacancy:** The library Board of Trustees is in need of a new member to serve from November through the town elections in March. If you are interested, contact Mary Cronin.

**Book donations:** We cannot accept books at this time; we have no room. We hope to accept them again, and will let you know when.

**Sign up for "this week at Cook Library" email notices:** If you wish for more than a monthly update on library news than this newsletter, we invite you to sign up for a weekly "this week at Cook Library" email message. This update will also be posted to the Tamworth Exchange each week, so if you're on the Exchange, you probably don't need to sign up for this. Send a "sign me up for weekly updates" email to [cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:cooklib@tamworthlibrary.org).

**Library surveys:** Thanks to everyone who responded to our online materials and programming surveys. Results will help staff and Trustees plan, and compilations will be posted on the library's website soon.

**Homeschool resources posted:** Thanks to all of the homeschool support providers who sent descriptions of their offerings. See the directory at <https://tamworthlibrary.org/for-kids/homeschool-and-early-childhood-resources/>

**Interlibrary Loan is back!** If you've been waiting to request that specific book, now it's time to do that. The NH State Library van is running its regular routes again with quarantining protocols in place that will make things take a bit longer to arrive.

## EVENTS

**Button up NH:** A Zoom presentation on Wednesday, October 7 at 7:00 p.m. Learn about saving electricity, insulation and air sealing, energy audit and weatherization programs, rebates on electric and gas appliances, and other incentives from NH's energy utilities. Find Zoom link on our website.

**All Eyes Are Upon Us: Racial Struggles in the Northeast, from Jackie Robinson to Deval Patrick,** a NH Humanities program sponsored by several area libraries: Zoom presentation on Thursday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m. Find link to the registration form on our website.

**Feathers in the Sky: An Exploration of Bird Migration,** a Chocorua Lake Conservancy program cosponsored by our library: Zoom presentation on Wednesday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m. CLC Stewardship Director Lynne Flaccus will share the story of bird migration, focusing on our North American feathered friends that make their annual migrations from and through our backyards.

**Third annual Community Art Show,** on exhibit at the library in October and November, on the theme "all things water." Curated by Lucy Gatchell, visit the exhibit during the library's open hours. Also, look for features of the exhibit that will be posted online throughout the exhibit time on the library's website and social media places. Water-themed **POETRY HOUR** Monday October 26 at 2:00 in the big room. Call to reserve your space.

