Find answers to Frequently Asked Questions about library services during the pandemic: https://tamworthlibrary.org/help/faqs-about-library-services-during-2020-pandemic/

**CARES Act grant:** Our library received a $7,500 CARES Act Operating Support grant through the National Endowment for the Humanities, administered by New Hampshire Humanities. This grant will allow the library to retain funding for staff in the new, reduced 2020 budget adopted by Trustees on April 27, 2020. The grant will also provide additional funds for summer programs.

**Curbside pickup:** You can borrow items from the library! You may request items in one of several ways:
1. Call or email (contact info listed above)
2. Place holds on specific items by logging into your library account at https://nnhlc.bywatersolutions.com
3. Fill out the online request form where you can ask for specific things, or have us choose things for you. Find the form on our website. **Curbside pickup times are Tuesdays and Fridays 2-5. We’ll add Wednesdays 10-1 on June 3, and add Saturdays 10-1 on June 13.**

**Returning borrowed items:** The library’s book drop is open, you may return borrowed items any time. Everything that was checked out before the end of March is due on May 30, 2020.

**Home delivery:** Do you want library materials delivered to your Tamworth home? We have two volunteers who will happily deliver (and pick up) books and other library materials at a designated spot outside your home. This service is open to people of all ages. Call the library at 323-8510 to arrange for delivery. Note that same day service is not available, and deliveries in Tamworth only, please.

**Community photo exhibit:** *Tamworth in the 2020 Pandemic:* Find the link to the online exhibit on our website. If you have a photo to add to the exhibit, send it to mary@tamworthlibrary.org. We feel that gathering photos taken by our community at this time would be meaningful at present and a valuable archive in the future.

**Tamworth Treasure Hunt:** With his permission, we have posted Richard Posner’s Tamworth 5 Mile Treasure Hunt on our website, and we invite anyone who creates a treasure or scavenger hunt for their Tamworth neighborhood to send it our way. We’ll post them online so they can be all be found all in one place for you to share with family and friends. See https://tamworthlibrary.org/find-info/reference/tamworth-puzzle-scavenger-hunts/

**Poetry Hour:** For June’s poetry hour, we’re trying something different. We’re inviting you to send us an audio or video of you reading a poem. We anticipate receiving poems read under trees and stars, in comfy armchairs and at kitchen tables, on mountain tops and by rivers. Most smartphones have a way to record audio and video. We can lend an audio recorder if you don’t have a smartphone. Contact mary@tamworthlibrary.org when you have a file ready to send. Please send your recording by June 22. We’ll compile the files into a short video that will be shared online on June 29.

**Coming soon:**
- Document services (copying, faxing, printing, scanning) for curbside pickup (call us if you need this)
- Canopy tents, tables, and chairs in the space directly behind the library for wifi users
- Our truly original, home grown, community celebrating Summer Reading Program with activities for all ages begins on July 6

**Not coming soon, but coming:**
We are not ready to begin accepting donations of books, magazines, or other media. *Please do not drop them off.* We’d appreciate your holding onto them until we can accept them. Then we all can look forward to new titles for the library and some truly amazing Friends’ book sales in the future.

**Definitely not coming:**
Ordination Rock 5K Race, usually held on July 4th as part of Tamworth’s Family Day, will not happen this year.

**Weekly storytimes on Zoom:**
**Tuesday, June 2, 7:00 p.m.** online via Zoom
Using historic photos and documents, Liz Tentarelli will guide us on the journey. Liz is president of the League of Women Voters NH, a non-partisan organization that is the direct descendant of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Using historic photos and documents, Liz Tentarelli will guide us on the journey. Liz is president of the League of Women Voters NH, a non-partisan organization that is the direct descendant of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Tamworth History Center is cosponsoring this NH Humanities program.

**Protection Our Lakes from Aquatic Invasive Species**
**Wednesday, June 10, 7:00 p.m.** online via Zoom
Chocorua Lake Conservancy welcomes Amy Smagula of the Department of Environmental Services for this informative webinar.

**Introduction to our summer book discussion series, a virtual American Road Trip,**
**Monday, June 15, 7:00 p.m.** online via Zoom
Come learn how you can participate on a summer-long reading journey. Beginning with John Steinbeck’s *Travels with Charley: In Search of America* as a point of departure, we’ll discuss this and other books about road trips, traveling, traveling with dogs, and more. Everyone who asks can pick up a copy (to keep and share) of Travels with Charley thanks to an anonymous donor and the CARES Act grant. You decide how you will participate. You can simply read the suggested books and the online content we provide. Or you may share your thoughts on a blog we’ve created just for this program, https://cooklibraryroadtrip.blogspot.com/. Or you can join the Facebook Group “Say, is this the USA!” moderated by Nathaniel (Nate) Winship, whose enthusiasm and deep knowledge of road trip literature inspired this program. Nate will also lend books from his extensive collection of road trip books.

**NH State Parks Day Pass:** Some state parks are open with guidelines for visiting during this time of social distancing. If you would like to borrow a pass to a NH State Park for a particular day, contact us at least a couple of days before your planned trip. See www.nhstateparks.org to find out what parks are open.

**Summer Reading Program this year:**
We ALL have a story to tell, especially this year. Stay tuned for our July activities.