

At July's end, *Our Summer Story Summer Program* wrapped up. Did you learn something new from a neighbor by watching one of the sixteen *Do You Know* videos? Did you come to the library and run through the obstacle course, make a stone cairn, construct a mandala, or design a what-Tamworth-means-to-me flag? Did you try any of these things at home? We are so grateful for all of the people who helped make this month of home-grown activities possible. If you missed any of the Summer Program, you can review all of it at <https://tamworthlibrary.org/for-kids/summer-reading-program/>.

**Looking ahead**, we're going to continue summer activities in a low key, August kind of way. Is it time to do some deep reading to explore a topic from multiple angles? Do you want some family read-aloud suggestions? Are you looking to binge-read your way through a series? Does your child or grandchild need some fresh new titles? Are you missing summer travel? Our library staff can help connect you to books, authors, series, places, and more. We'd like to encourage everyone to find a buddy to learn with, read with, talk about books with. We'd especially like to encourage you to buddy up with a child and read.

### A FEW SUGGESTIONS:

**Deep reading:** Our library has a good collection of books on racism and the systems that perpetuate it. Read several to prepare for our study of the book *Me and White Supremacy* by Layla Saad beginning in the fall.

**Binge reading:** One Book One Valley won't be happening this fall, but we're happy to announce that Paul Doiron, who was to be our 2020 author, has agreed to come next year. If you haven't read his mystery series featuring Maine Game Warden Mike Bowditch, you've got a whole year to read the entire 11-book series before the October 2021 event.

**Reading with kids:** We've had a number of requests from adults for books for kids. Many ask for series and characters they remember reading as kids. Nostalgia is fun to share, but if your child is ready for something fresh, we can suggest some new titles with great characters.

**Reading and writing about traveling:** Our summer virtual American Road Trip series wraps up in August. We have a bunch of road trip books to lend, and also encourage everyone to write about an American Road Trip, one that you went on, or the one you would have liked to have taken this summer. Share your writing, find book lists, and join the conversation on our American Road Trip blog, <https://cooklibraryroadtrip.blogspot.com>.

**How we are doing things:** The library is open its regular hours by appointment for browsing and checking out books and other items, using a computer, and for copying, faxing, scanning, and printing. Appointments allow us to limit the number of people in the building to make sure social distance is possible. Everyone wears a mask, there's plenty of hand sanitizer, and we clean things after you leave. Call us at 323-8510 to make an appointment. We will also continue curbside pickup for borrowing library books and other materials. Borrowed items can be returned in the book drop anytime.

#### Friends Fall Bulb Sale Fundraiser

##### Make 2021 more beautiful by planting fall bulbs!

The Friends of the Cook Memorial Library, which raises funds to supplement the library's budget, will earn 50% profit on every sale through Dutch Mills Bulbs. Find the link to the online sale at <https://tamworthlibrary.org/about/friends/friends-fall-bulb-sale-fundraiser/>. Thanks for supporting our Friends!

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## AUGUST EVENTS:

### New Hampshire Cemeteries and Graveyards

**Saturday, August 1, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.**

This presentation by Glenn Knoblock will take place outdoors, on site at the Riverside Cemetery on Whittier Road in Tamworth.

A rich variety of gravestones can be found in New Hampshire cemeteries. Find out about these deeply personal works of art, the craftsmen who carved them, and how they reflect the time of their making. In recognition of Tamworth History Center's *Women of Tamworth* outdoor exhibits taking place this summer, Glenn will highlight some of the notable women buried at Riverside.

This program will be held rain or shine. Please come wearing a mask and prepared to spend time outdoors. Expect uneven terrain typically found in cemeteries.

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### Storytime Zooms

**Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.**

Stories and songs, plus ideas to extend the learning at home. Email [polly@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:polly@tamworthlibrary.org) for the Zoom link.

### Thinking of Homeschooling? August 10 & August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Amy Carter will host two discussion forums outside behind the library for families considering homeschooling, and for those already active as home educators. Richard Posner will share his experience educating middle and high school age youth on Monday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m. Lisa Wilkinson and Suzy Kjellberg will offer guidance for homeschooling elementary age children on Wednesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

### American Road Trip wrap-up Zoom, Monday, August 17, 7:00 p.m.

Find meeting link at <https://cooklibraryroadtrip.blogspot.com>.

### Kids' Summer Reading Club Tuesday, August 25, 3:00 p.m.

Come pick up a copy now (to keep, thanks to the Friends of Cook Memorial Library) of *Right as Rain* by Lindsey Stoddard. Read the book, and join Amy outside behind the library to talk about this book and other books you've read this summer. Popsicles!

### Green Mountain Conservation Group's Wonders of Water virtual art exhibit opening on Zoom August 20, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Artists should submit artwork by August 7<sup>th</sup>. Learn more at <http://www.gmcg.org/wonders-of-water-art-exhibition/>. Exhibit will be online plus some of the artwork will be featured on a traveling outdoor mural through the month of September.

### Poetry Hour, Monday, August 31, 4:00 p.m.

If you send them, we'll post a new set of audio recordings of poems on the library's website. Send a recording of you reading a poem to [mary@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:mary@tamworthlibrary.org) by August 24. If you need some inspiration, listen to the 12 poems from July's Poetry Hour at <https://tamworthlibrary.org/2020/07/poetry-hour-6/>.

**Our Summer Story continues!** We've had so much fun seeing and sharing photos, sketches, and videos made by community members. If you made a photo, sketch, or "do you know" video during this pandemic time that you'd like to share with Tamworth, and that would become part of our library's digital archive, send them our way. For details:

**Sketches:** <https://tamworthlibrary.org/for-kids/summer-reading-program/sketches-of-summer-2020/>

**Photos:** <https://tamworthlibrary.org/community-photo-exhibit-2020/>

**Do You Know videos:** Send idea for your video to [amy@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:amy@tamworthlibrary.org), then send video file to [mary@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:mary@tamworthlibrary.org).