

Cook Memorial Library 93 Main Street Tamworth, NH 03886 603-323-8510 March 2025 newsletter: Vol. XXII No.3 Hours: Mon 10-5, Tues & Wed 10-8, Fri 10-5, Sat 10-2; closing at 7 on 3/12 Catalog: <u>catalog.tamworthlibrary.org</u> Website: <u>tamworthlibrary.org</u>

**Reading Adventurously!** We challenge you to make time this month for "Reading Adventurously." For March, our reading challenge is to read a book written more than 50 years ago, like the classic English mystery we're reading for our Mar. 24 book discussion, *Death of a Bookseller* by Bernard J. Farmer, published in 1956. We'd love to hear about what books you've chosen to read for our monthly challenges.

Art Show: Come see Ashley Bullard's oil paintings, on display through the end of March.

Library Trustees meeting, Monday, March 10, 5:30 PM Friends of CML board meeting, Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 PM We will close early on Wednesday, March 12, at 7:00 PM, so staff may attend the Tamworth Town Meeting.

**Greeting cards** made locally by Jennifer Stimac using art from library calendars, fabric, plus a lot of talent and love, are on sale at the library for \$6 each or 4 for \$20. Proceeds benefit the library.

## Kids' programs:

- **Outdoor Nature-based Storytime for young children**, every Tuesday at 10:30 AM outside behind the library. Be sure to dress for the weather!
- Baby Time in the Children's Room, Tuesdays at 11:30 AM (following outdoor storytime)
- Bookworms Reading Club for kids up to age 9, Monday, March 31 at 4:00 PM

**Tamworth Recreation's Lego Legends,** Tuesdays March 19 through April 23, 3:30-5:00 PM for kids in grades K-6 (ages 5-12) will be held in the library's meeting room, a time for Lego challenges and play. Transportation from K.A. Brett School to the library is available, request at sign up. <u>Sign up using this online form</u>.

**Board Games**, Tuesdays, 5:00-8:00 PM. For teens and adults. Come play a variety of board games in our historic front room. Feel free to bring a game you'd like to teach others.

## Daytime programs, thanks to an ALA/LTC Accessible Small and Rural Libraries grant:



**Bingo Club**: No cost, for fun only! Come play Bingo in our meeting room from 1:00 to 2:00 PM, alternating Wednesdays. This month, Bingo Club will meet on March 5 and 19.

**Turtles of New Hampshire**, Tuesday, March 25, 1:00 PM: Join a Squam Lakes Natural Science Center Naturalist to meet several live turtles all native to New Hampshire. We will learn how to tell them apart, where they live, what they eat, and what they do in winter.





**"Big Night" Community Art Project,** Saturday, March 1, 10 AM-3 PM at the library. Join Chocorua Lake Conservancy, Cook Memorial Library, Green Mountain Conservation Group and the Yeomans' Fund for the Arts as we create a crankie public service announcement about Big Night, salamanders, vernal pools, and ways we can help our local amphibians cross roads safely at this critical moment in their life cycle. The completed crankie will be shared by GMCG and CLC as spring approaches, along with information about related programs. And, our library has a copy of the newly published picture book about Big Night, *Safe Crossing* by Kari Percival. Come check it out!

**Mountains to the Sea** writing group, Wednesday, March 12, 10:30 AM online via Zoom: Meets monthly to write and read together. Register to join at <a href="https://bit.ly/mtns-sea-24-25">https://bit.ly/mtns-sea-24-25</a>.

**"Out of the Dead House," Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 PM:** With sensitivity and seriousness, but not without humor, storyteller Andy Davis approaches the one thing we all have in common, the universal condition of mortality, through folklore, legend and personal story.

**Brown Bag Book Group,** Monday, March 24, 1:00 PM: Bring a bag lunch and come to the library to discuss *Death of a Bookseller* by Bernard J. Farmer, which gives the reader a look into "the antiquarian book trade where pleasantries and a kind of collector's code mask simmering jealousies and ruthless desires" (publisher's description). Copies of the book can be borrowed from the library ahead of time.

**"Last of the Granite State Rattlesnakes,"** Wednesday, March 26, 7:00 PM: Historian and former newspaper reporter Dan Billin will present vivid, little-known stories and images from our centuries-long war on our rattlesnakes. Billin will review what is and isn't being done today to conserve our rattlesnakes, and the many obstacles to their survival. This program is made possible through a grant from New Hampshire Humanities.



**"Loving Vincent" film and art activity,** Saturday, March 29, 13, 1:00 - 3:30 pm. Arts Council of Tamworth is partnering with Cook Memorial Library to present a free screening of *Loving*. <u>*Vincent*</u>, a beautiful film about the life and death of painter Vincent van Gogh that was animated entirely through oil paintings. Included with the film will be free snacks and a "Make-Your-Own-van-Gogh" watercolor activity. The film is rated PG-13.

Poetry Hour, Monday, March 31 at 5:00 PM: Come to read or simply to listen to poems aloud.

**Coming up next month:** Community Dancing for Young Children, a talk about jigsaw puzzles by Rebecca Boyden, an info session about signing up for Medicare, and a new reading adventurously challenge.

**Plan ahead for a road trip:** Northern NH Library Cooperative celebrates National Library Week April 6-12 by welcoming visitors at open houses at each member library. If you have a Cook Memorial Library card, you are welcome to check out most items at our partner libraries. Each library is unique and has lots to discover!

- Monday, April 7: open house at <u>Madison Library</u> 9-5
- Tuesday, April 8: open house at Jackson Public Library 10-7
- Wednesday, April 9: open house at Cook Memorial Library, Tamworth 10-8
- Thursday, April 10: open house at Ossipee Public Library 10-6
- Friday, April 11: open house at <u>Conway Public Library</u> 9-5