

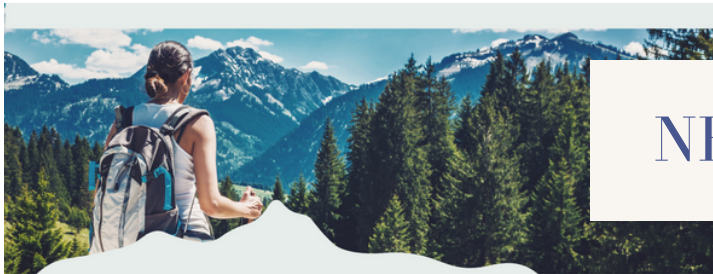
SOMERSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

APRIL
2024

READ. CONNECT. DISCOVER TOGETHER.



NEW PASS AVAILABLE!

NH State Parks Passes are available!

Each pass allows 2 adults and up to 4 dependents free entry into most NH state parks.



Enjoy the great outdoors this spring. Reserve the NH State Parks pass for a specific date by calling the library or stopping by the circulation desk!

JOIN OUR TEAM

We are seeking volunteers to join our Friends of The Library Group alongside new president, Theresa Bean. Save the date for the upcoming informational meeting about what it means to be a Friend of the Library. No commitment level is too small.

Friends of the Library Informational Meeting



Wednesday, May 22 • 6pm

SPRING *fling*



crafts • games • activities

Tuesday, April 23 • 5:30pm

ALL-AGES PROGRAM

Celebrate springtime at the library! This fun-filled family program has something for everyone. Featured activities include:

seed bombs
recycled crafts
Storywalk
scavenger hunt

flower-pounding bookmarks
succulent sand jar terrariums*
bat- and birdhouse-making*

**while supplies last*

Historic Lighthouses and Keepers of New Hampshire & Southern Maine

Tuesday, April 30
5:30pm

This program is
made possible by:



Join us as dynamic presenter Jeremy D'Entremont highlights the fascinating stories of the lighthouse keepers who, beginning in 1771, maintained the lighthouses between Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and York, Maine.

MASTER GARDENER SERIES

Learn how to enhance your backyard landscape by creating a pollinator habitat. Doing so can attract beneficial insects such as bees and butterflies, which are essential in pollinating many of our food crops such as apples, berries and vegetables.

Pollinator Gardens

Tuesday, April 16 • 6pm

presented by

Somersworth Community Gardens

in conjunction with

UNH Master Gardeners Program



Saturday, April 13
11-11:30am

**BRING A PUZZLE,
TAKE A PUZZLE!**

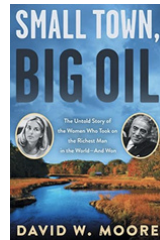
PUZZLE SWAP... *is back!*

Join other local puzzlers to trade your old puzzles for new ones! Bring one, trade for one. Bring five, take five! Please be sure all puzzle pieces are accounted for and secured in their box.

APRIL BOOK GROUPS

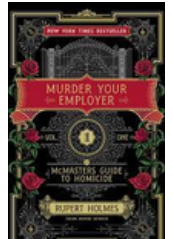
3 GROUPS TO CHOOSE FROM!

Books can be picked up at
the circulation desk anytime!



Non-fiction Book Group
Wed. April 3 • 11am

Book Discussion Group
Tues. April 9 • 5:30pm



Cookbook Club
Sat. April 27 • 11am

FEATURE FRIDAYS

Free film showings every Friday at
2pm. April's movies are themed
around springtime!

Every Friday at 2pm



FEATURED COLLECTION: Seed Sharing Library

Check out our seed sharing collection!
Up to 5 packets may be taken at a time
to help you in starting your spring
garden. Available to all patrons!

Sow. Grow. Save. Share.





CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Storytime

Tuesdays • 10:30am

Recommended for ages 2-5



Baby Play Group

Thursdays • 10:30am

Recommended for ages 0-2



Weekend Builders

Saturdays • 11am

Recommended for all ages

KIDS CLUB

Wednesdays • 5:30pm

Create, explore, craft, and play. Make friends while working together on weekly guided projects.

The April session of Kids Club will meet on April 3, 10, and 17.

Recommended for ages 5 through 12.

REGISTER NOW



QUALITY TIME

Tuesday, April 2 • 5:30pm

A FUN PROGRAM FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Quality Time is a new initiative aimed at exploring social-emotional concepts. Led by local teacher, Diana Metreaud, each session is designed to encourage children to develop positive character traits and promote strong family bonds. Upcoming sessions include:

- April 2 • 5:30pm: Superhero Helping Qualities
- May 7 • 5:30pm: Making Choices

Click to sign up online!

REGISTER NOW >



ECLIPSE PARTY

Tuesday, April 2 • 5:30pm

Families are invited to join us for a fun Eclipse-themed celebration at the library! Attendees who pre-register can reserve a set of Solar Eclipse Glasses to bring home with them for use during the total solar eclipse on April 8th. Register online today!

REGISTER NOW >

TOTAL Eclipse of the LIBRARY

Crafts • Snacks • Music • Activities • FUN!

EARTH DAY ART

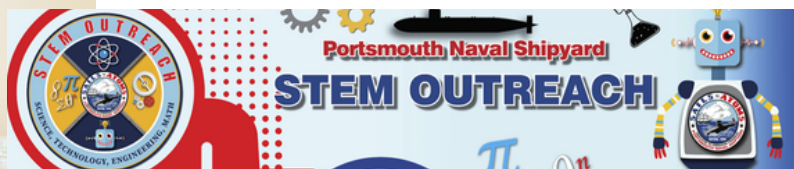
Saturday, April 20 • 10 - 11am

Celebrate Earth Day at the library with the Seacoast Mothers Association! Families are invited to join us for a fun (and free!) crafting session led by SMA. No registration is required.



Portsmouth Naval Shipyard STEM Activity

Wednesday, April 24
10-11am



Join the Shipyard crew here at the library for a fun (and educational!) guided STEM activity. No registration is required.

KIDS NIGHT OUT Fundraiser

We invite you to save your child's spot in our upcoming Kids' Night Out event on Friday, May 31st from 5pm-8pm. This program is a fundraiser that will give parents a break while the kids have fun at the library after-hours with Tanya (Library Director) and Autumn (Library Assistant). Children who attend will enjoy dinner, snacks, a movie, a craft and games, while you get the opportunity to enjoy a kid-free evening. The cost for each child is \$25 (cash or check). All proceeds from this program will go towards programming for our 2024 Summer Reading Program.

[REGISTER NOW](#)



FRIDAY, MAY 31 • 5-8 PM
Ages 5-12

\$25/
child

All proceeds from this event will
help to support the 2024
Summer Reading Program.



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

If you have a young child at home, be sure to take advantage of the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at the library. Reading aloud to your child will help strengthen their language skills, build vocabulary, and foster a lifelong love of reading. Children who participate in the program receive milestone stickers as well as a free book upon completion of their goal. *Recommended for ages 0-5.*

LIBRARY SERVICES



Free access to e-books, digital audiobooks, and magazines through the Libby and Hoopla apps.



Access to the library's interlibrary lending system which allows patrons to borrow materials from all over the state.

Access to ABCMouse, a digital education program for children ages 2-8, which can be used on any computer within the library.



Access to a plant propagation station, where you can take or trade cuttings from houseplants all year long.

Free use of a Meta Quest 2 VR Headset within the library. The headset is available anytime during our open hours, just ask for it at the front desk!



Discounted passes to:

Children's Museum of NH
Seacoast Science Center
Zoo New England

Free passes to:

Strawbery Banke Museum
NH State Parks



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