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2023 OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

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MONDAY: 2PM-7PM
TUESDAY: 9AM-6PM
WEDNESDAY: 9AM-6PM
THURSDAY: 9AM-6PM
FRIDAY: 9AM-1PM
SATURDAY: 9AM-1PM

“Each year NHLTA recognizes individuals and groups who have contributed to the excellence of New Hampshire public libraries in an extraordinary manner.” This statement from the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association (NHLTA) perfectly expresses my feelings and those of the MEB Board of Trustees, the library staff, and the community as it relates to the service of Liz McConnell, MEB Trustee chair!

Liz embodies the characteristics of a library trustee as they are outlined in the NHLTA manual and more. She gives selflessly of her time and perseveres through any and all difficulties faced by the library, so we nominated her for the Lillian Edelman Trustee of the Year award and received the following from the committee:

“We received a large number of nominations in all categories this year and it was very difficult to select those that will receive this special recognition. This award had two excellent candidates which were so impressive that the board decided to award both trustees. You are justifiably proud of her achievements and your leadership team, and we are happy to recognize what she has accomplished in Brentwood.”



Please join us on **Monday, October 16th at 7pm** for the award presentation/celebration! This event is open to the public and refreshments will be served! *Janice*

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**EVERY THURSDAY
BABY PLAY
TIME**
9:30-11AM

LEGO CLUB
3:30-5PM

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**MEB LIB
CLOSED**



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**STORIES, STONES,
AND
SUPERSTITIONS**
6:00PM

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**COOKING WITH
MISA**
4PM



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**TRUSTEE
MEETING**
5:30PM

**AWARD
CEREMONY**
LIZ MCCONNELL
NHLTA LIBRARY
TRUSTEE OF THE
YEAR - 2023
7PM

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LITTLE KIDS YOGA
AGES 3-5
11AM
REGISTRATION
REQUIRED



**ADULT
BOOK GROUP**
6PM

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**FRIENDS
MEETING**
6:30PM



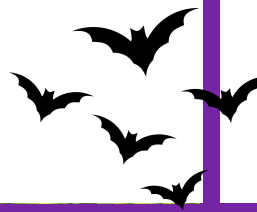
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**YA BOOK
GROUP**
5PM

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**SOCIAL
SECURITY
STRATEGIES**
6:00PM

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**LAST DAY TO
SIGN UP FOR A
TAKE-HOME
CRAFT KIT**

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**TAKE-HOME
CRAFT KIT
PICKUP**

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**NEW 6 WEEK
STORYTIME
SESSIONS BEGIN!**
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BABY PLAY TIME
EVERY THURSDAY
@9:30-11AM

This weekly, open play time for babies and caregivers takes place in the kids' room every Thursday morning. Older siblings welcome too!

LEGO CLUB
THU 10/5
3:30-5PM

Come build with legos in the kids' room starting after school until 5pm. Bring a friend and your creative ideas!

STORIES, STONES & SUPERSTITIONS
WED 10/11
@6:30PM

Roxie Zwicker will present an in-depth look at the history, burial, customs, and folklore from NH graveyards. You will find your explorations will be more informed and rewarding after learning how to decode old gravestone symbolism and hearing cemetery stories!

COOKING WITH MISA
THU 10/12
4PM

Join Misa from Misa's Clean Kitchen for a fun cooking class for kids and families. This class is geared towards preschool and elementary aged children.

LITTLE KIDS YOGA
THUR 10/19
@11AM

Join us for this new monthly yoga class for children ages 3-5! This unique 30 minute class, taught by Rachel Brown, will engage children through music, movement, mindfulness, and imagination. No yoga mat or materials are necessary. Students should wear comfortable clothing that will allow them to move freely. Registration is required. Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/udU9X5SDVL69QFqU7>

ADULT BOOK GROUP
THUR 9/14 @ 6PM

Grab a friend and come join our adult book club! Books will be chosen each month by the group. The book for October is *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. Stop by the library to pick up a copy of the book.

YA BOOK GROUP
TUE 10/24 @ 5PM

Grab a friend and come join our new young adult book club! Books will be chosen each month by the group. The book for October is *All These Bodies* by Kendra Blake. Stop by the library to pick up a copy of the book, and then come join the discussion.

SOCIAL SECURITY STRATEGIES
WED 10/25 @6PM

Social Security rules are complex and constantly evolving. Join us for an interactive seminar that will talk about avoiding potential pitfalls so you are better prepared to make important lifetime decisions. This seminar will cover what spousal benefits are available and will review the potential effects that working in retirement and claiming early can have on your benefits. This event is free and open to the public.

UPCOMING STORYTIME REGISTRATIONS

STORYTIMES
TUE. @10:00AM
WED. @9:30AM
WED. @11:00AM

New sessions of storytime begin on October 31st & November 1st! Sign up for all ages storytimes on Tuesdays at 10am or Wednesdays at 11am, or sign up for toddler storytime on Wednesdays at 9:30. Each session will run for 6 weeks. Please note, this is not a drop in program. Registration is required and space is limited. Call for more information.

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FRIENDS OF MEB OCT 2023

The Friends have been getting ready for our busy season with a Pumpkin Festival, Craft Fair and Holiday activities. Watch our Facebook page for information: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofMEBLibrary>.

Toward the end of this month (date TBD) we will be hosting a Pumpkin Festival on the front lawn of the library. Come choose a pumpkin from our “pumpkin patch” and decorate it with supplied craft materials. While you’re there, explore the Story Walk and relax in the Adirondak chairs, sponsored by the Friends. This community event is free to Brentwood residents and is made possible by the Friends’ dedicated volunteers and fundraising efforts. (This event will be moved inside if the weather is unfavorable.)

The Friends of the Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library invite you to participate in our yearly Craft Fair. The Fair runs November 20 through December 23 this year, and it's a highly anticipated, well-attended event every year. If you would like more information, or are ready to secure a table as a vendor, please contact Lenore Smith at LSmith@FriendsofMEBLibrary.org.

The Basement Bookstore is temporarily closed due to inaccessibility while the amphitheater is renovated. We will not be accepting used book donations until further notice.

Discount passes for New England Aquarium are good for 50% off general admission for 4 people. Enjoy aquariums filled with sea creatures from around the world including the Amazon Rainforest, Indo-Pacific Coral Reef and Olympic Coast. “Get up close to cownose rays, Atlantic rays, and epaulette sharks while learning about their vital coastal habitats” at the Shark and Ray Touch Tank. Meet a variety of animals such as sea lions, seals, penguins, sea turtles and octopus. The full list of recreation passes can be found on the library’s website: <https://www.brentwoodlibrarynh.org/museum-passes.html>.

Did you receive your Annual Appeal letter? Have you made your donation? If not, you may come to the library for a copy or to drop off a check (made to Friends of MEB Library). Your donations enable us to host community events like the Pumpkin Festival and Santa’s visit, provide resources such as Udemy and Great Stone Face Books, as well as fund furniture and other items not covered in the library’s budget.

Our next meeting will be Monday, November 20 at 6:30 pm at the library. We will be working on plans for winter holiday activities. Stop by if you’d like to help! Zoom link available upon request.

Jessica Paul
Friends Secretary



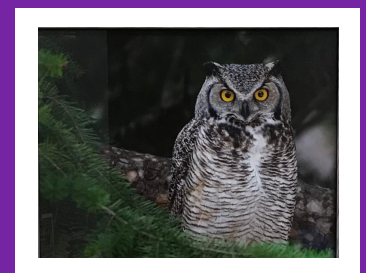
SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



Storytime Autumn Crowns



Monarch Caterpillar



Martin Culpepper:
Owls of New England

MEB STAFF SUGGESTIONS

