



**Cook Memorial Library**  
93 Main Street  
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**Hours: Mon 10-5, Tues & Wed 10-8,  
Fri 10-5, Sat 10-2 (closed on Memorial Day)**

[Events Calendar](#)

**Catalog: [catalog.tamworthlibrary.org](http://catalog.tamworthlibrary.org)**

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**May 2024 newsletter: Vol. XXI No. 5**

**This month: Everest, plastic, giraffes, SNAP, dancing, grant and fundraiser news**

**Attention gardeners:**

- Remember our [Seed Share](#) for finding seeds for your garden and sharing your surplus seeds
- No way to garden outside at home? [Borrow our garden bucket](#) (thanks to [MWV Age-friendly Community](#)) and plant a windowsill garden
- Friends and Altrusa will not hold a plant sale at the library this June (read below for an announcement about the Friends' new fundraiser event coming in July)



**Art Exhibit:** Come see the colorful artwork by student artists from the K.A. Brett School!

**Local Author Fair:** We're seeking local authors to take part in a Local Author Fair later this year. If you are interested in participating and/or helping to plan, please get in touch with Mary ([mary@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:mary@tamworthlibrary.org)) or Amy ([amy@tamworthlibrary.org](mailto:amy@tamworthlibrary.org)) at the Cook Memorial Library. If you know a local author who has published a book or books, please share this message with them.

**Borrow a Pass:** Squam Lakes Natural Science Center and the Wright Museum open for the season in May. We have passes to both, thanks to the Friends of Cook Memorial Library. We have a pass to the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, too, which is available to borrow year-round.

**Library Trustees meeting, Monday, May 13, 5:30 PM**

**Friends of CML board meeting, Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 PM**

**Outdoor Nature-based Storytime for young children, Tuesdays at 10:30 AM**

**Baby and Toddler Time, Tuesdays at 3:00 PM in the children's room**

**Community Dancing for Young Children, Saturday, May 25, 10:30-11:45 AM.** Welcoming children (ages 3+) with their caregivers to join hands, dance to live music and sing! No prior experience needed. All

dances are taught and called. Jacqueline Laufman, caller & fiddler, with music by the Celtic Joy Trad Dance Band. This final dance in the series is funded by the Yeoman's Fund for the Arts.

**Volunteer Transcribers meeting:** For volunteers transcribing historical Tamworth Town Records, we will hold a work session at the library on Friday, May 3 at 11:00 AM. We will meet together with project archivist Molly Foye on Wednesday, May 8 at 6:00 PM. Come ahead of time at 5:00 PM for a work session. Anyone interested in helping or learning more is welcome at either meeting.

**Climate & Community partner program:** Coffeehouse at UUFES, Friday, May 3, 4:00-6:30 PM. Snacks, art, and a talk on "Finding Our Place in the Climate Movement" by Kendra Ford of 350NH at 5:00 PM. What's your climate story? Come eat, observe, listen and share.

**Mountains to the Sea** writing group on Zoom: Wednesday, May 8, 10:30-11:45 AM to explore this year's theme *Kithship*. Join in at [bit.ly/mtns-sea23-24](https://bit.ly/mtns-sea23-24).



**SNAP info:** Would you like to talk to someone about applying for SNAP benefits? Nadine San Antonio, SNAP Outreach Coordinator in Carroll County, will be at the Cook Memorial Library to answer questions on Friday, May 17 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon.

**Poetry Hour** will meet at the library on Monday, May 20 at 5:00 PM (a week early due to the Memorial Day holiday). Come read or listen.

**Bag It: Is Your Life Too Plastic?** Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00 PM. Tamworth Recycling Project hosts a plastic-free potluck followed at 6:30 by a showing of the film, "Bag It!" This 14 year-old documentary exposing the effects of our society's prolific use and disposal of plastic products still holds up today. We'll take some time to talk about why after the film. The film is told through the eyes of "everyman" Jeb Berrier, a familiar face to many in Tamworth as the MC of the Silas Berrier Memorial Seek the Joy Comedy Nights in 2022 and 2023. He is the brother of Tamworth resident, Amy Berrier. If you're coming to the potluck, bring a dish to share and your own place setting.

**CML Adult Book Group's** May book is *West with Giraffes* by Linda Rutledge. A discussion will be held on Tuesday, May 28 at 6:30 PM on Zoom. Sign up for the Zoom link at [bit.ly/cmlbookgroup2024](https://bit.ly/cmlbookgroup2024).

**"20 Years On and Still Going": an Everest adventure:** Wednesday, May 29, 6:30 PM in person at the library. A slideshow talk by Anne Parmenter, Hall of Fame former Head Field Hockey Coach at Trinity College, marathoner, mountaineer and climbing guide who summited Everest in 2006.

**Save the (new) date:** Children's Parade, Saturday, June 1, starting at 10:00 at UUFES (Farmers' Market) and heading down Main Street to the Village Green in front of the Tamworth History Center, where there will be fun and games. Kids of every age are welcome! Rain date is June 8.

**CONNECTing CommUNITY FUNdraiser** to support the Friends of Cook Memorial Library is coming on July 14 at 2 PM. Save the date, and look for more information in our June newsletter.

**Grant News:** The Trustees of the Cook Memorial Library recently accepted a Sustainable & Resilient New England Libraries Grant in the amount of \$15,000. This grant will fund one of the recommended energy savings measures identified in our 2022 energy audit: installing an Energy Recovery Ventilator (ERV) on the library's HVAC system. An ERV will replace indoor air with cleaner, healthier fresh air, and also reduce the load on the library's existing furnaces and air conditioners by removing heat, cold, and humidity from fresh air before it reaches the air conditioner and heating units. This project is made possible by a grant from the Association for Rural & Small Libraries through the generosity of the Manton Foundation.