You can now use Ancestry.com from home!

Ancestry is the most popular online genealogy resource, and until now the free library version has only been available for in-library use. Now, using your library card you can sign in from home and get started on your family history.

Ancestry offers millions of birth, death, marriage, military, immigration and other public records from a variety of countries. There is an amazing amount of information available. If you've always wanted to start your family search- this is the perfect time. Ancestry is easy to use and you can send images and copies of records to your email.

To sign in, go to the Library’s website at www.medfordlibrary.org and click on Ancestry Library Edition Remote Access! In the right hand column.

You will need to enter a Medford Library card number to use the resource.

Magazines online!

Over 50 magazine titles are available to you through the Overdrive platform. There is something for everyone with titles on current events, finance, health, crafts and hobbies, home decorating, food, travel, celebrity gossip, and much more. Magazines check out with your library card. Visit digital.minlib.net to check out the available titles.

MPL Foundation News

Mother’s Day is this Sunday!

If you are looking for a meaningful, long-lasting gift, take this opportunity to name a Commemorative Tile that will be displayed in the new library. For $50, your Mom's tile will have a place of honor on the wall of the new Medford Public Library! To make this special gift, go to the Medford Public Library foundation website, www.medfordpubliclibraryfoundation.org. On the home page you will have the opportunity to Make a Dedication-- fill out the form and secure your Mother’s place in the beautiful new library!

Friends of the Library News

The Friends have been receiving a lot of inquiries about donations for the book sales. At this time we are unable to accept donations. We will be taking donations again once things reopen, so if you can, please hold your items until then. Our book sale needs you!
Learners, educators and enthusiasts of all ages can access the websites listed below for free!

**NASA**
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (U.S.A.)
https://www.nasa.gov/

**Hubble Space Telescope**
30 years of exploration & discovery with incredible images!
https://hubblesite.org/

**Space.com**
Check out the latest news and updates in astronomy, space flights & exploration and related technology.
https://www.space.com/

**American Astronomical Society Worldwide Telescope**
Shares information and research from telescopes, observatories and other institutions.
http://www.worldwidetelescope.org/home

**Sky & Telescope**
From the site: “the Essential Guide to Astronomy”
https://skyandtelescope.org/

**Smithsonian Astrophysical Laboratory**
Includes Chandra X-ray Observatory pictures
https://www.cfa.harvard.edu/sao

**Stellarium**
It’s like having a planetarium right on your own computer!
http://stellarium.org/

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**Databases**

**Career Transitions**
Are you looking for a new job but don't know where to start?

Career Transitions will help you write a resume, compose a cover letter, and prepare for an interview. It will also help you find local job listings. Job hunting is a stressful, exhausting process, but hopefully this database will make it a little easier for you.

**Legal Forms Library**
We may still have to stay at home, but life goes on, and that includes our legal lives as well. Are you a landlord who needs a lease for a new tenant, or are you selling your car? Including issues such as divorce, child custody, and wills and estates, this database gives you an opportunity to find the appropriate form for your needs and brush up on legal terminology.
It even includes an attorney directory. If you use any of the forms in the database, you should confirm with a legal professional that you have selected the right one.

To access any of our databases, go to www.medfordlibrary.org, click on databases, click your selection, and enter your library card number without the spaces.
If you are interested in the history of Medford, there are four recent books available on Hoopla:

- Medford by Anthony Sammarco
- Medford in the Victorian Era by Barbara Kerr
- Medford Then and Now by Patricia Saunders
- Medford: A Brief History by Dee Morris.

All four titles are available in eBook format and have lots of pictures!
TEEN NEWS

Teen Game Night
Wednesday, May 20, 7:00 PM
Sign up required for the Zoom link!

Teen Trivia Night: At Home Edition
Friday, May 15, 7:00 PM
For teens in middle or high school
Show off your pop culture knowledge and face off against other Medford teens!
Prizes for the top 2 contestants!
Trivia will take place using Kahoot and Zoom.*
SIGN UP REQUIRED!
Sign up through the Online Library Event Calendar or email Nicole at nperrault@minlib.net
*Zoom link will be sent prior to the event

Teen Hand Lettering Workshop
Thursday, May 21, 3:00 PM
Grades 6 and up
Learn the basics of lettering, some typography history, and what you can do with the markers, pens, and pencils you already have at home.
Sign up online via the library's calendar, or email Maddi at mrauner@minlib.net. Zoom link will be sent out prior to the event

Follow the Teen Section on Instagram for more info on our upcoming events for teens!
@mplteensection
CHILDRENS' NEWS

1st Grade Book Club
MONDAY, MAY 11 3PM
THE MOST MAGNIFICENT THING
BY ASHLEY SPIRES
Check out the ebook on Hoopladigital.com and join us for a Zoom Meeting Book Club. The link to the meeting will be posted on Facebook or you can email ssednek@minlib.net for access.

2nd and 3rd Grade Book Club
THURSDAY, MAY 14 3PM
THIS IS HOW WE DO IT
BY MATT LAMOTHE
Check out the ebook on Hoopladigital.com and join us for a Zoom Meeting Book Club. The link to the meeting will be posted on Facebook or you can email ssednek@minlib.net for access.

4th and 5th Grade Book Club
THURSDAY, MAY 28 3PM
DIANA: PRINCESS OF THE AMAZONS
BY DEAN HALE AND SHANNON HALE
Check out the ebook on Hoopladigital.com and join us for a Zoom Meeting Book Club. The link to the meeting will be posted on Facebook or you can email mranieri@minlib.net for access.

Weekly Library Challenge
Each week, take a picture of yourself while you are doing fun stuff, send it to tsiegel@minlib.net and we will post it on our Facebook page*

May 11 - Build a fort in your house or yard
May 18 - Learn something new
May 25 - Read a book to an animal (real or stuffed)

*Adults, let us know if you would prefer we not post your child's picture online.

Medford Public Library has a YouTube channel! Subscribe for chapter book readings, craft ideas, & silly videos just for you!

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