**THE READING ROOM AT GILMAN LIBRARY**

**ALTON ## LIBRARY RAFFLE DRAWING SATURDAY-** There is still time to purchase your raffle tickets before the drawing on Saturday, April 30th. **The prize includes a cute night shirt, vintage 5-piece teas set, Bigelow tea samples, and the book “First Comes Love” by Emily Griffith. Tickets are $1 each or six tickets for $5. This is an easy way to make a small donation to benefit the Gilman Library ~ and you might win a lovely prize!**

**COOL STUFF ACTIVITIES CALENDAR -** Don’t forget to pick up our activities calendar at the front desk to be sure you do not miss out on all the COOL STUFF FOR KIDS that have started up this month at the Gilman Library. You can also download a copy of the calendar from our website at gilmanlibrry.org.

**THEATER THURSDAY MOVIE -**  On the first Thursday of every month we have our Theater Thursday Classic Movie. Join us next week, on Thursday, May 5th for our free featured film, free beverage, free snack, and free door-prize raffle ticket. For details, visit our website at gilmanlibrary.org/theater-thursdays. Call 603-875-2550 or drop by the circulation desk at the library, to sign up.

**ALTON BOOK CHAT –** There is still time to pick up your copy of “The Witness” by Sandra Brown. That is the title up for discussion on Tuesday, May 10th. We have copies in regular print, large print, and Audio CD format.

**ONLINE CATALOG -** Have you visited our online library catalog lately? There are some new features that you will enjoy when searching for titles. You may choose to view our shelf contents I list form or gallery view. We still have the features you love. Once you have logged in with your username and password, you can arrange to receive new items by selected authors automatically, place reserves, defer reserves if you are going out of town, and place a request that we purchase a title or borrow it from another library (Interlibrary Loan / ILL). We also have a list of new items on the main catalog page. You can view a list of all new items, or just new books or new DVDs. You can choose to view the newest in the last week or two, or the last month or two. Just go to our website at gilmanlibrary.org and click into the catalog from the menu bar.

**NEW DVDS AND BOOKS –** We have a couple dozen classic DVDs that have been donated to the library and added to our circulation this last week, including westerns, war movies and dramas. Thee are the movies that you have seen before and would love to see again, “Air Force One,” “The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly,” and “The Spy Game.” New books include James Patterson’s 2022 thriller “The Palm Beach Murders” and three brand new financial advisory books donated by the Alton Branch of the Meredith Village Bank. Come on in and check them out! See you at the library! **#495**