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& Calendar of Events

February / March 2016

BE SMART @ YOUR LIBRARY

An Afternoon with the Gillettes

Monday, February 22, 1:00 p.m.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle created Sherlock Holmes, but William Gillette brought the famous detective to life. Gillette put together the signature “costume” – the hat, pipe, lens, and cape, that we associate with Holmes to this day. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Niver in costume seem to be the embodiment of the famous Gillettes. Their presentation makes you feel as if you are in the very “presence of William Gillette and his beloved bride.” Registration required. Sponsored by the Deschler Family in Honor of their mother, Cecile Deschler.



The Joy of Coloring: An Adult Coloring Group

Thursdays, February 25, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

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Road to Livability from AARP

Friday, March 11, 12:00 p.m.

A representative from AARP will host an interactive presentation that examines “What You Have” vs. “What You Need” when it comes to your HOME, CAR and COMMUNITY. Geared toward the whole family, participants will gain understanding of the tools and resources available to create a home where you can live in comfort and safety, no matter what your stage of life.

Winter Reading Finale

End of Adult Winter Reading: Be a Smart Cookie – READ

Friday, February 12

All tickets collected for the program's weekly drawings will be entered into the grand prize drawing to be held at 12:00 p.m.

Children's Winter Reading Finale

Friday, February 12, 10:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Let's wrap up the cookies and the Winter Reading Program by making a basket and cookies to take home and enjoy. Bring your filled Cookie Jar Reading Page for admittance to the party, and drop in to have some sweet fun.



Take Your Child to the Library Day!

– Libraries are Magic!

Saturday, February 6, 2:00 p.m.

All day we will have crafts and activities in the Children's Room.

At 2:00 p.m., Mr.

Magic will show us that libraries are magic!

Recommended for children 4 and up. Please call to register.



Mini Media Sale – Community Room

Saturday, February 20, 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Come in from the cold and check out the Friends' Mini Media Sale. Items include DVD's, Blu-ray, Books on CD, CD's and VHS tapes. Snow Date Sunday February 21, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Newington Library 5K Challenge

2016 marks the 20th running of the library's annual road race which is scheduled for May 15.

Applications will be available at the end of March at the library and on the library's webpage.



Reminders

Please note that many of the programs the library offers are sponsored by the Friends of the Library. These programs are identified by this symbol.

Upcoming Friends Events

Stop by the library for flyers on upcoming Friends Events/Fundraisers such as the Spring Book Sale, Bus Trips and the Bulb Sale.

Sunday Hours

The library will be closed on March 27 for the Easter Holiday. May 6 will be the last Sunday opening.

Adult Activities

Unless noted in the program description, registration is required for all adult programs at the Adult Information Desk or by calling 860-665-8700.

February

Brown Bag it with a Documentary Three Stars

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 2, 12:00 p.m.
Profiles ten world-class chefs and learn about everyday drama that accompanies working in gourmet restaurants. Running time 94 minutes. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages and desserts will be provided.



Evening Book Discussion Group

Thursday, February 4, 7:00 p.m.
This month's reading is Mission Flats by William Landy. Everyone is invited to attend.



Movies and More @ the Library: Far from the Madding Crowd

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 16, 1:00 p.m.
Based on the literary classic by Thomas Hardy and starring Carey Mulligan, Matthias Schoenaerts. In Victorian England, the independent and headstrong Bathsheba Everdene attracts three very different suitors: Gabriel Oak, a sheep farmer; Frank Troy, a reckless Sergeant; and William Boldwood, a prosperous and mature bachelor. Running time 119 minutes. Pick up your FREE ticket at the Adult Information Desk.

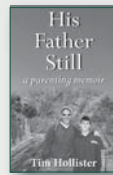


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His Father Still: A Parenting Memoir

Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.
Meet local author and advocate Tim Hollister and hear about his parenting book, *His Father Still: A Parenting Memoir* that has been featured in the Oprah Magazine and Publishers Weekly. Since the death of his 17-year-old-son, Reid, in a car crash in 2006, Tim Hollister has become a nationally-known advocate for safer teen driving. In 2009, he launched his national blog for parents of teen drivers, "From Reid's Dad" Books available for purchase.



Film Based on the Book – Rebecca

FRIENDS Thursday, February 25, 1:00 p.m.
This film adaptation of Daphne Du Maurier's classic novel is directed by Alfred Hitchcock, starring Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine. Drama, mystery and romance intertwine as the happiness of the second bride of Maxim de Winter is threatened by the sinister spirit of de Winter's first wife, the late Rebecca. Running time 130 minutes. Refreshments will be provided. If you enjoy the movie, consider joining our discussion of the film and novel on Thursday, March 10, 12:00 p.m.



March

Evening Book Discussion Group

Thursday, March 3, 7:00 p.m.
This month's reading is *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. Everyone is invited to attend.



Brown Bag It with a Book and Film Discussion – Rebecca

FRIENDS Thursday, March 10, 12:00 p.m.
Join us for a book discussion of the film and novel *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier. The film adaptation of the novel will be shown on Thursday, February 25, 1:00 p.m. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages and desserts will be provided. No registration necessary.

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Movies and More @ the Library: Mr. Holmes

FRIENDS Tuesday, March 15, 1:00 p.m.
Starring Ian McKellen, Laura Linney. An aged, retired Sherlock Holmes, deals with early dementia, as he tries to remember his final case and a woman and the memory of whom still haunts him. He also befriends a fan, the young son of his housekeeper, who wants him to work again. Running time 104 minutes. Pick up your FREE ticket at the Adult Information Desk.



Forever YA Book Club

Monday, March 21, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
The Walls Around Us by Nova Ren Suma
FRIENDS You don't have to be a Young Adult to enjoy reading teen books! Whether you're in your teens, attending college, or are a little less Y and a bit more A, we encourage you to be a part of this great new program. FYA is open to everyone **HIGH SCHOOL AGE AND UP (14+)**. Light refreshments will be served. Registration required.

Black Bears in Connecticut

Tuesday, March 22, 7:00 p.m.
Join presenter Paul Colburn for an informative evening on the natural history of black bears in Connecticut. An overview of black bear habitat, diet, behavior, and current research efforts will be presented through a slide show, artifacts, and a discussion. Registration required.



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Technology

Computer Health Tips

Thursday, February 11,
10:30 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.

Don't let your computer get sick! This class will cover some basic

proactive techniques you can do to clean up your computer and keep it running smoothly. Get ready for some spring cleaning! Registration required.



Tech 4 U

Do you need help downloading your eBook or searching for work on the Internet? For help with your specific technology questions, make an appointment for a 45 minute session with a Librarian today!

Thursday, February 11, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 25, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 10, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 24, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Tech Troubleshooting with Teens

Thursday, February 11, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 10, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Attention all adults! Stop by with the gadgets that drive you crazy and let our teen techies help you. This list can include: cell phones & text messaging, E-readers, social media, email, tablets, and iPods. Registration required.

“What’s On My Desktop?”

Thursday, March 17, 10:30 a.m.

Discover what all those icons can do, how to browse the internet, how to access your control panel, take a peek at Microsoft Office Suite software, and more! Registration required.

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Teen Activities

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Teen Afterhours Movie Night: Valentine’s Day Edition

 Friday, February 12, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

For ages 13 – 18. Come by to watch a movie to be voted on and eat chocolate! Options will include romantic comedies, horror, and action. Feel free to bring bean bag chairs, pillows or blankets. Pizza will be served, so please register so we can order accordingly. All movies are rated PG-13.



Teen Craft Blowout

 Tuesday, February 16, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.


For grades 6-12. Celebrate the last night of vacation! Keep

calm and get your craft on. Featuring cookie decorating, nail polish wall art, washi tape crafts, teen coloring, and more! Registration required.



March

Teen Advisory Board


 Tuesday, March 8, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

For ages 13 – 18. Help us make the library a better place for you! Give input on teen events, and help develop the collection of teen materials. Earn a community service hour for sharing your opinion! You must be willing to participate in discussions. Pizza will be served. Registration required.



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Children’s Activities

No registration is necessary unless otherwise noted. Please call 860-665-8720 to register for programs.

Ongoing Drop-in Preschool Storytimes


Winter Ongoing – February 25

Spring March 14 – April 28

Various preschool storytimes for ages 9 months through 6 years. Pick up a detailed schedule in the Children’s Department or check out our webpage at www.newingtonct.gov/library.

February

Play with Us!

 Tuesdays, February 2, 9, and 16,
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

Join us for this program geared for families with young children who have special needs. Meet with birth to three-year-old resource professionals and socialize with your peers. All are welcome.



Children's Activities

Let's Make Music Together

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 2, 12:00 p.m.
Children ages 2–4 and caregivers are invited to experience music together. We will sing, explore instruments and rhythm patterns, dance and more. Come join the fun!

Family Storytime

Every Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Stories, songs and more for the whole family all year 'round.

Take Your Child to the Library Day! Libraries are Magic!

Saturday, February 6, 2:00 p.m.
We will have crafts and activities in the Children's Room all day. At 2:00 p.m. – Mr. Magic will show us that libraries are magic! Recommended for children 4 and up. Please call to register for the program.



Read, Play, Learn

FRIENDS Monday, February 8, 6:00 p.m.
Children ages 3–4 years old and their caregivers are welcome to join us for a special evening of fun! We will begin with a story, followed by a variety of engaging activities you can enjoy with your preschooler. We will end the evening with singing! To keep this a special one to one time with your preschooler, please make other arrangements for siblings. Please call to register.

Stories and Art

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 9, 12:00 p.m.
Join us for a story and art program

for 2–4 year olds and their caregivers. Please call to register.

Half-Day Tuesday Treats – Be a Smart Cookie ... READ!

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 9, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Sweet Treat Tuesdays continue! We'll have games, activities and of course you can make a valentine for that special sweet someone. Stop by to enjoy the fun!



Junior Cookbook Club

FRIENDS Wednesday, February 10, 6:30 p.m.
Junior Chefs in grades K–2 will listen to Valentine Foxes by Clyde Watson before making a Valentine's Day treat! Please call to register.



Cozytime Stories

Thursday, February 11, 4:00 p.m.
FRIENDS Children in grades K–2 are welcome to relax with their pillow and blanket, and listen to some wonderful stories. A snack will be provided.

WINTER READING FINALE

Friday, February 12, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
FRIENDS Let's wrap up the cookies and the Winter Reading Program by making a basket and cookies to take home and enjoy. Bring your filled Cookie Jar Reading Page for admittance to the party, and drop in to have some sweet fun.

Tales to Tails

Saturday, February 13, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Children who need to boost their reading skills, or just love a good doggie cuddle, may sign up for a 15 minute session reading to a certified R.E.A.D. dog. Please call to register. Donated by Cold Noses, Warm Hearts.



Cinema City, Theater 1 – Shaun the Sheep

FRIENDS Tuesday, February 16, 1:00 p.m.
Cozy up with your favorite wooly friend to enjoy a showing of *Shaun the Sheep*. The movie is rated PG and is 85 minutes long. Snacks will be available.



Cinema City, Theater 2 – Goosebumps

Tuesday, February 16, 1:00 p.m.
FRIENDS Wear a warm sweater and be prepared for *Goosebumps*. The movie is rated PG but, like the books, has some scary moments. It is recommended for ages 7 and up and is 103 minutes long. Snacks will be available.

Chess Club

Wednesday, February 17, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
FRIENDS Like to play chess? We will set up our program room for all who enjoy chess. Bring a friend or find one here! Sets will be available to use here and check out for use at home.

Cookbook Club

FRIENDS Wednesday, February 17, 6:30 p.m.
Chefs in grades 3–6 will be making no-bake cookies and cream bars. Please call to register.

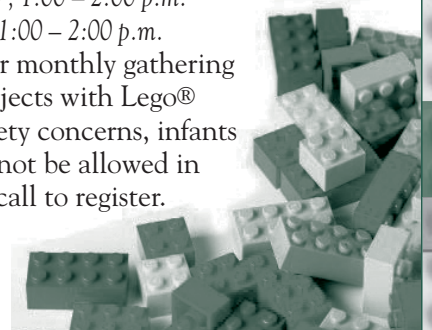
C O N S T R U C T I O N C O R N E R

Lego® Junior Makerspace

Sunday, February 21, 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.
Sunday, March 20, 2:00 – 2:45 p.m.
Junior LEGO® Makerspace combines reading with building using Lego® bricks and our imagination. First you'll hear an architect inspired story, and then we'll build a Lego® brick creation. The program is designed for children ages 4-7 and their caregivers. Older siblings are welcome. Please call to register. *This program is sponsored by The LEGO Group, Inc. and the American Library Association, Association of Library Service for Children.*

Construction Club

Saturday, February 27, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 26, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
FRIENDS Come to our monthly gathering to build projects with Lego® bricks. Due to safety concerns, infants and toddlers will not be allowed in the room. Please call to register.



Children's Activities

Tales to Tails


Thursday, February 18, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Children who need to boost their reading skills or just love a good doggie cuddle, may sign up for a 15 minute session reading to Jessie, a certified therapy dog. Please call to register. *Donated by Kerry Lurate, Registered Therapy Dog Trainer.*

Parent – Child Workshop

Mondays, February 22 and 29, and March 7 and 14, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.*


Tuesdays, February 23 and March 1, 8 and 15, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

 Family Place is presenting a 4-week series of free workshops for parents and their 1–3 year-old children. Meet other families, share thoughts, and talk with librarians and child development experts as you play and read with your child. Find out about community services that can help you and your family. Brothers and sisters under 5 are invited to join the fun! Please call to register. *A light supper will be served before the Monday evening sessions.



Half-Day Fun

Tuesday, February 23, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

 Drop in and join us for games and activities when school lets out early.

Pajama Yoga

 Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 p.m.

Namaste everyone! That means peace. Children ages 5–8 and their caregivers are invited to come to the library in comfortable pajamas to have fun doing Yoga together. Beth Agdish, a certified Next Generation Yoga for Kids instructor, will teach us techniques and traditional poses. Mats will be provided to those who do not bring one. Please call to register.



March

Just a Story and a Song!

Wednesdays, March 2 and 9, 10:15 a.m.

Join us for a thirty minute all ages story time. We'll enjoy a story (or two) and a song (or two) to welcome in the morning.

Dr. Seuss's Birthday Celebration

 Wednesday, March 2, 4:00 p.m.

Children in grades K–4 are invited to celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday by hearing an all-time favorite tale, creating a craft and munching Seussian snacks! Please call to register.



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Cookbook Club and Jr. Cookbook Club Extravaganza

 Wednesday, March 9, 6:30 p.m.

Chefs in grades K–6 will join together in an evening of making and tasting! A variety of stations will allow us to create different drinks and snacks to try. Please call to register.

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Preparing for Kindergarten: What Every Parent Needs to Know

Wednesday, March 16

Session I – 6:00–6:45 p.m.

(includes an optional storytime for the child entering Kindergarten)

Session II – 7:00–7:45 p.m. (parents ONLY)

Lucy Robbins Welles Library Community Room

Parents of children attending kindergarten


in the fall are invited to hear a panel of experienced professionals offer advice and tips for this often stressful time. A program for those children entering kindergarten will be held concurrently during the first session only. A flyer detailing panel information and registration for the program will be available in the Children's Department and must be returned to the Human Services Department by March 11. Call the Department of Human Services at 860-665-8590 for more information. *Sponsored by the Early Childhood Council.*

Tales to Tails

Saturday, March 19, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Children who need to boost their reading skills or just love a good doggie cuddle may sign up for a 15 minute session reading to a certified R.E.A.D. dog. Please call to register. *Donated by Cold Noses, Warm Hearts.*


Ready for Kindergarten

 Mondays, March 21 – April 11, 6:30 p.m.

Children ages 3–5 and their caregivers are invited to listen to stories and participate in lots of hands-on activities that will help to develop the skills needed for a successful start in kindergarten. Please call to register. In order to create a special one to one time with your preschooler, please make other arrangements for siblings.



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Join us for this program geared for families with young children who have special needs. Meet with birth to three-year-old resource professionals and socialize with your peers. All are welcome.

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From the Library Director

Did you know that there are many ways to save money at the Library? The Lucy Robbins Welles Library offers library materials and services that help to save you time and money and can help enrich your life. When you get your free Newington Library card, it gives you access to many of the library's free services as well as access to libraries throughout the State of Connecticut. With your library card you can checkout books, magazines, DVDs, Blu-Ray DVDs and music CDS and all forms of digital media including eBooks, digital music, magazines, movies and more. Your card can also give you free access to many online databases the library subscribes to help businesses grow, to help students of all ages do research and learn a variety of topics, and to help people in their everyday life with online consumer information, employment opportunities, current investment data, genealogy research and even how to repair cars with the online version of Chilton's Auto Repair. Your card also gives you free access to the library's public computers that offer internet access, Microsoft Office 2013 and the ability to print in black & white or color for a slight fee. This same card can be used in any library throughout the State. Not only does this give you access to library collections at any Connecticut public library but it has been a huge way for libraries to save money by sharing resources. We buy to meet the needs of our residents but also can give them access to materials that we may not normally carry.

The library offers many other great services and programs to help you save every day. Free wireless access. Free programming for children, teens and adults. Last year the library offered 891 programs to 30,716 people. Outreach to daycares and pre-schools to promote early literacy. Free meeting and study spaces for the public. Free technology programs and tech support sessions to meet the growing need. Interlibrary loans services that lets you borrow materials from other libraries and them delivered to our library for free. Free notary services and homebound services for Newington residents. The adult and children's reference staff will answer any of your questions for free via the phone, fax or email. Last year the staff answered 63,071 questions. Due to the generosity of the Friends of the Library, you can check out passes that can offer you free or reduced admission to more than 29 area museum and attraction. You can even use the library's photocopiers to scan in documents directly to a jump drive for free.

The next time you want to see your actual savings, try the library savings calculator on the library's website to see how much you saved when you checked out materials or attended a program or used a meeting room. You will be pleasantly surprised at how much the library can save you money while enriching your life.

We look forward to helping you in any way we can.

— Lisa Masten

Art Exhibits

Located in the Community Room
February – Elizabeth Hanlon – Photography
March – Desiree Figueroa – Photography

Library Meetings

Library Board
Monday, February 8, 7:00 p.m.
Monday, March 14, 7:00 p.m.
Friends of the Library
Wednesday, February 17, 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

Library Hours

Mon. – Thurs. 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sundays 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.
(Through May 9)

Library Closings

Monday, February 15 – Presidents' Day
Friday, March 25 – Good Friday
Sunday March 27 – Easter

To Reach the Library

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