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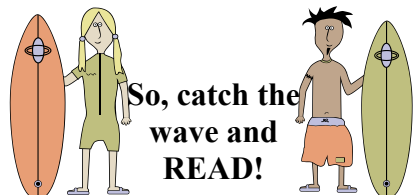
Teen Summer Reading

The Wethersfield Library is encouraging seventh through twelfth graders to “make waves” this summer with its first annual Teen Summer Reading Program: Make Waves @ Your Library. The eight week reading program will begin Tuesday, June 29th.

There will be a kickoff informational session to demonstrate the reading program’s online format on Tuesday evening, June 22nd from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Participants will be able to register, log books and write reviews online. The prize schedule and other program details will also be discussed. Come and meet others who have signed-up! Refreshments will be served.

Garden of Beats! will perform a drum circle at the grand finale August 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Registration for the Teen Summer Reading Kickoff program is requested by calling 860-257-2811. Walk-ins are also welcome.



Make Your Fines Go Down the Drain

Library users will be able to “clean up” their overdue fines this summer by bringing in personal hygiene items to donate to the Wethersfield Food Bank.

From June 15th through the end of August, the Library will be accepting health and beauty items such as toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo and disposable razors in payment for overdue fines.

Wethersfield Social Services Director Nancy Stilwell said, “hygiene supplies are always in short supply and great demand by Wethersfield Food Bank clients so these donations will be greatly appreciated.”

Help your neighbors by donating these items to the Library and watch your fines GO DOWN THE DRAIN!

Questions and Answers

Q. Can I ‘pay’ fines from other libraries in your system with a donation?

Yes. State regulations let libraries collect and keep fines for other libraries. It doesn’t say anything about the currency of the payment.

Q. Can I still pay you money, if I want to?

Yes, that is fine.

Q. Can I pay for a lost or damaged book with a donation?

No. Lost and damaged items need to be replaced.

Q. Does the item I bring have to cost the same as the fine I owe?

No. Some items will be cost more, some less, and it will all even out.

Q. Can I pay unpaid fines for things I already returned?

Yes.



Make A Splash: READ! Children's Summer Reading Program

Register now for the "Make A Splash:READ!" Summer Reading Program. You will receive your reading log and 1st prize, begin reading on Monday, June 28th, and collect your next prize on Friday, July 2nd. Remember readers as well as non-readers can sign up! Prizes include a t-shirt, a paperback book of your choosing, as well as food coupons and treasure chest prizes, **while supplies last!** Not only will you receive prizes for reading or being read to, but you will also be able to solve weekly "Eye Spy" riddles.

June 29th: Kickoff with SteveSongs @ 6:30PM (Ticket Required)

August 23rd: Grand Finale/ Ice Cream Social with "DJ Bob". If 100 or more students from each Wethersfield elementary school register for the summer reading program, your principal will make a splash and "Catch & Kiss" a fish.



"MAKE A SPLASH: READ" ends August 22nd; however prizes will be awarded through September 3rd, **while supplies last.**

Summer Reading Weekly Events Begin June 28th

Mondays: 11:00 a.m. Drop-in Splish, Splash Book Play for 0-2 year olds.

7:00 p.m. TAILS OF JOY: Read to a Dog.
Registration required.

Tuesdays: 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Sail Away Stories for 3-5 year olds.

7:00 p.m. Drop-in Chat & Chew @ the library for 9-12 year olds.

Thursdays: 10:30 a.m. Splashy Crafts for ages 4 & up.

Drop-in Book Sharks for children entering Kindergarten through 3rd grade.

7:00 p.m. Ahoy Parents and Kids! Family Fun Night 5 & up and parents. Registration is required.

Fridays: 10:00 – 12:00 Drop-in Play Time for all ages.

11:00 a.m. Drop-in Short & Sweet Storytime for all ages.

2:00 p.m. Friday Flicks for all ages. Registration is requested.

Movies to be shown are:

July 2nd - *Free Willy Escape from Pirates Cove* (PG)

July 9th - *Toy Story* (G)

July 16th - *Hook* (PG)

July 23rd - *Muppet Treasure Island* (G)

July 30th - *Lilo & Stitch* (PG)

August 6th - *Scooby-Doo* (PG)

August 13th - *Finding Nemo* (G)

August 20th - *Shrek* (PG)



Saturdays: 10:30 a.m. Surfin' Saturday Stories drop-in family fun.

Special Splishin' Summer Events for Children

July 7th: 10:30 a.m.

Annual Pet Show and Parade.

July 15th: 6:30 p.m.

Move and Groove with "Mr. Gym".

July 21st: 10:30 a.m. or 2:30 p.m.

Beach Party.

July 29th: 6:30 p.m.

Under Sea Safari concert with Chris Rowlands.

August 4th: 10:30

Looney Library 'Lympics.

August 11th: 11:00

Meet Rocky the Rock Cat.

August 18th: 10:30 a.m. or

2:30 p.m.

High Sea Pirate Adventure

August 23rd: 6:30

Grand Finale: Ice Cream Social with "DJ Bob".

For registration information call or

visit the Library or our website @

www.wethersfieldlibrary.org



Lego Donations Needed

The Children's Department is looking to start a "Lego" program. If you would like to donate new or gently used "Legos" of all sizes, please drop them off at the Children's Information desk. Thank you in advance from the Children's staff!

Mark Your Calendar for These Library Events

Adult English Language Conversation Group

Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m.
Begins September 14th.

Second Saturday Cinema

Begins August 14th at 1:30 p.m.

Friends Fall Book Sale

November 6th and 7th.

You Asked for It!

At the request of many Library users, the adult new book area will be re-located to the main floor of the Library. To make room for the new book collection, the biography collection will be transferred to the second floor.

Volunteers

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers: Kristy Cantwell, Marilyn Player, Lucille Plouffe, Eleanora Puccio, Meher Shulman and Janice Vincenzo.

And welcome to our new volunteers: Tim Boardman, Carol Driscoll, Carol McCue, Sonny McCubrey and Paula Richer.

Book Club in a Bag

We now offer "Book Club in a Bag" to book groups. Each bag contains 10 copies of a book, discussion questions for the book, author biography and tips for conducting a successful book discussion.

For more information about available titles or to reserve a bag call the Adult Information Services Desk at 860-257-2811.

BJ Smith is Back with More Books!

BJ Smith returns to lead "A Genre Sampler", a reading and discussion series. This year's "A Genre Sampler" will cover poetry, short stories, memoir and fiction.

All book discussions are held on the second Thursday of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Books to be discussed and dates are:

July 8th - *Selected Poems* by Rita Dove

August 12th - *New American Short Stories* edited by Gloria Norris

September 9th - *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien

October 14th - *Atonement* by Ian McEwan

These programs are supported by a cost-sharing grant from the Connecticut Humanities Council.

Copies of each title are available for check-out at Wethersfield Library. All discussions are free and open to the public. Registration for these events is requested. You may register by calling 860-257-2811. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Judy Mandel Guest Author

Judy L. Mandel will read from and discuss her book, *Replacement Child* at the Library on Thursday evening, July 1st at 7:00 p.m. Her memoir centers on her role as a replacement for the sister who was killed when a plane crashed into her family's house.

Replacement Child opens with a plane crash and the death of a child which leaves a hole in the family that threatens to tear it apart. This honest and moving story reveals the realities behind so many tragic headlines and follows one woman's path to recovery as she embraces the love that allows her to forgive.

Ms. Mandel will read from the book and discuss writing a memoir and her experiences in publishing. This program is free and open to the public, but registration is requested. Walk-ins are also welcome. You may register in person at the Wethersfield Library or by calling the Adult Services Information Desk at 257-2811.

Calling All Artists and Collectors!

We now have a built-in display case for collections of all kinds and lots of wall space for artists to display their work.

For information or to reserve the display case or the wall space please call the Library at 860-257-2811.

Thank You

We would like to thank the following people and groups for their gifts to the Library:

Mr. Raymond Sasso
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The Learning Circle Playgroup

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday
10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday
(October – May)
1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

CONTACT THE LIBRARY

Main number: 860-529-2665

Hours of service: recording
860-257-2800

Borrower Services: 860-257-2821
Renewals and overdues.
borrowerservices@wethersfieldlibrary.org

Children's Services: 860-257-2801
*Children's program
registration & information*
childservices@wethersfieldlibrary.org

Information/Reference:
860-257-2811

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information searches.*
library@wethersfieldlibrary.org

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July Computer Classes

Everything You Need to Know About Email

Find out the fundamentals of how to send and receive email. Learn about attachments and the wonders of the address book. You do not need to own a computer to have an email account.
Meets: Monday, July 12th at 2:30 p.m.

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Learn everything you need to create a letter. You will be shown how to format, layout and print your document. Microsoft word 2007 will be demonstrated.
Meets: Monday, July 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet

Learn all the basics of surfing the internet. Discover what a browser is and how it works. No computer skills required.
Meets: Wednesday, July 14th at 1:30 p.m.

Social Networking

Facebook, Myspace, Twitter, LinkedIn and other social networking sites will be toured. Bring in your questions.
Meets: Wednesday, July 14th at 3:00 p.m.

August Computer Classes

Where Did I Put That?

Discover how to find and retrieve information saved to your computer. USB drives, CDRs, CDRWs, DVDs, memory cards and external hard drives are discussed. Basic computer skills are helpful.
Meets: Monday, August 16th at 2:30 p.m.

Editing Digital Photographs

Learn the basics of a photo editing program. Various ways of selecting and improving your photos are demonstrated. The skills shown can be used with any photo editing program.
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Registration begins the first of the month for Wethersfield residents, and the following week for non-residents. You may register in person, or by calling the Adult Services Information Desk at 257-2811. Classes are held in the Community Room.

Holiday Closings

Fourth of July ★ Saturday, July 3 - Monday, July 5
Labor Day ★ Saturday, September 4 - Monday, September 6
Columbus Day ★ Monday, October 11