



BOOKS AND BEYOND...

NEWS OF THE LEDYARD LIBRARIES

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The Ledyard Libraries serve as a center of information for the community. We support and encourage the freedom to read, learn and discover in a welcoming environment. We provide friendly, knowledgeable service and free access to a diversity of ideas, resources and experiences. We strive to enhance the quality of life in our community, encourage lifelong learning and the love of reading.

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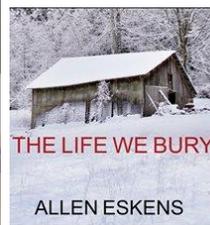
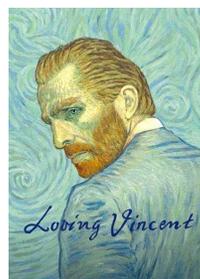
Hoopla coming to your library



Ledyard Library is excited to announce the availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums, audiobooks, and more for mobile and online access through a new partnership with Hoopla – digital. All you need is a valid library card!

As of July 1 Ledyard Library card holders will be able to download the free Hoopla digital mobile app on their Android or IOS device or visit hoopladigital.com to begin enjoying titles from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers. Items may be borrowed for instant streaming or temporary downloading to their smartphones, tablets and computers. Hoopla digital has a simple sign-up and attractive, easy-to-use interfaces so, it's easy to get to your listening and viewing experience. There's also no waiting to borrow any of these items. In addition, Hoopla digital's automatic return feature eliminates late fees.

To access the system on your mobile device, you will need to visit hoopladigital.com or download the FREE Hoopla digital app from the App Store. Simply sign up to get started. There is no need to download an app or extension for your internet browser. We hope you enjoy this new service and encourage you to share your experience on the Hoopla Facebook page.



Children's Summer Programs



It's Libraries Rock!@ the library this summer! We have a great summer reading program for ages 4 and up. Registration begins Wednesday, June 27 at Bill or Gales Ferry Library. All programs are free and open to the public.



Register online at www.ledyard.lioninc.org "Events" for programs with this symbol or by calling the library.



**Read To Me June 29 – August 11
Children age 4 (in 2018) through entering grade 1**

Register for this program at the library and collect your coloring sheet. For each book read independently (or read to them) write the title on the back of the sheet, and have the child color the front. After the picture is colored and every title recorded, return the sheet to the library where the child is registered for a prize. Complete 5 sheets before August 11 for a paperback book.



**Libraries Rock! June 29 – August 11
Children entering grade 2 through grade 6**

"Rock" through the summer with us and earn a Book Buck for every 60 minutes spent reading. Spend your earnings at our Library Store which will be open library hours until August 11 at 12:30 pm. But don't stop there! Continue reading and record those minutes until August 25. This will count toward the final number of minutes that will be given to your school. Registration will begin at 10:00 am on June 27 and may be done online either from home or in the library. (See directions below). Come into the library for your reading packet which includes a list of summer events, a book mark and a reading log for those who cannot get to a computer.



Directions to register online from home:

- Go to the library website www.ledyard.lioninc.org
- Click "Children" from the side menu and choose "Summer Reading"
- Click on the "Libraries Rock" link
- Click the "Sign me up" box on the right
- Fill in the information for your child (I recommend using lower case letters with first initial and last name for username and initials for password. If you have more than one child with the same first initial, add a 1, 2, etc. to the end of the last name (ex. jbrewer1, jbrewer2).
- Click "Save" on the bottom.
- The child's personal page pops up.
- Click on the "View Log" button to record the number of minutes read.

- To record future minutes click on the same registration link, then type in the username and password to bring you to your personal page.
- Click on "View Log" to continue
- Record the username and password somewhere for future use.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Drop-In Summer Kids Storytimes

**Tuesdays July 3 – Aug. 7 9:30 – 10:00 am
Gales Ferry Library ages 3 – 5**

We know summers are busy times, but if you are in town, drop in and join us for pre-school stories and songs in our new Children's Room!

LEGO® Maker Days

**Tuesdays July 3 – Aug. 7 10:30 – 11:30 am
Gales Ferry Library Ages 4 - 10**

Make some fun and interesting creations with our LEGO® bricks!



Sidewalk Art Contest

Friday, July 6 (Rain date July 13) 10:00 am

Bill Library ages 6 – 10

Come and show us your skill and decorate one of the sections of sidewalk outside the Bill Library. There is a limited sign up, so don't delay registering! There will be prizes for all. Bring your own sidewalk chalk if you have it.

Lunch and a Movie!

Wednesdays, July 11 – Aug. 15

Bill Library

**12:00 pm
all ages**

Bring your lunch and we will have a special snack and lemonade for you! All movies are rated G or PG and will be projected onto our large screen!



- July 11 Ferdinand (PG)
- July 18 Rio 2 (G)
- July 25 Rock Dog (PG)
- Aug. 1 Charlotte's Web (live action)(G)
- Aug. 8 Ice Age 4 (PG)
- Aug. 15 Hotel for Dogs (live action) (PG)



Kids Cook: Some Like It Hot!

Tuesday, July 10 10:00 am

Ledyard Congregational Church Grade 4-6



Explore pizza types you know and don't know about. Let's try a veggie crust, maybe a dessert pizza, and traditional styles. Who doesn't love pizza? Bring your aprons and creativity for this cooking event. We know you will bring your appetites! Safety is key in the kitchen, so closed-toe shoes and hair restraints are a must.

Touch-a-Truck

Thursday, July 12

9:30 – 11:30am

Gales Ferry School (on the football field)

Come and climb in the big trucks, buses and fire engines at our annual Touch-a-Truck event! The first half hour will be quieter with no horns or sirens for hearing sensitive children. If your kids love lots of noise, come after 10:00!



Mr. Joe, Musician

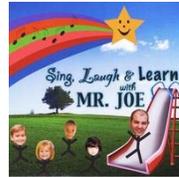
Friday, July 20

Ledyard Center School Gym

10:00 am

All Ages

Sing, Laugh and Learn with Mr. Joe! Get your beat on, and come rock with Joe Rosano. It is the mission of Mr. Joe to expose children to a wide variety of musical styles which are informative, entertaining, cardiovascular and very interactive. Bring the whole family for loads of toe-tapping fun!



Drop In Craft Fun - Libraries Rock

Thursday, July 26

10:00 – 11:00 am or 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Gales Ferry Library

Grades K-3

Join us for some fun projects to create! In keeping with the musical theme make some simple musical instruments and unique string and ink art.

Hip Hop with Austin Dailey

Friday, August 3

Pavilion at Colonel Ledyard Park

11:00 am

All Ages

This Interactive DJ - party dance program is for young people who like moving and grooving to dance party music. Austin Dailey will teach about freestyle, party line dances, discuss healthy choices, and the importance of stretching. This program encourages kids to dance because it is great exercise, builds confidence, and will put a smile on your face.



Teen Summer Reading 2018

Libraries Rock!

June 29- August 11

Students entering grade 7-12 in fall 2018

There will be four weekly raffle winners (two at each library), and entries may be earned by reading a book, or volunteering.

You can volunteer in shifts at either library helping the younger children with their summer reading program, or by helping with other programs for the younger kids. Certificates documenting the number of hours volunteered are available upon request. Prizes will be awarded for the most books read and the most volunteer hours accumulated during the summer.



Teen Volunteers Needed for Summer Reading!



The library is looking for teens to help the younger children this summer, with the reading program and other activities. Plan to attend one of the orientation sessions at Bill Library and sign up for times when you can help. Bring a laptop or tablet if you have one. Also bring your family calendar so you can sign up for your first few volunteer shifts at that time. You must attend one of these orientations to volunteer. Returning volunteers may attend any session, but new volunteers must attend one of the "First Time" sessions to be held at Bill Library. If you are unable to attend any of the below sessions, contact Mrs. Brewer before June 25.

First time volunteer sessions

- Tuesday, June 19 5:00 – 6:15 pm
- Monday, June 25 6:15 – 7:30 pm
- Tuesday, June 26 6:15 – 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, June 27 4:00 – 5:15 pm
- Thursday, June 28 3:00 – 4:15 pm

Returning Volunteers

- Tuesday, June 19 6:30 – 7:30 pm
- Monday, June 25 5:00 – 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 26 5:00 – 6:00 pm
- Thursday, June 28 4:30 – 5:30 pm

Teen Summer Programs

Come enjoy teens-only activities! Please register online www.ledyard.lioninc.org/teens.



Crafts & Ductigami

Thursday, July 5

1:00 – 3:00 pm

Gales Ferry Library

This classic DIY workshop is back! Use your creativity to make cool things out of duct tape or try one of the other crafts.



Guitar Hero Fun

Friday, July 6, 20, Aug. 3

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Bill Library

Bring your friends to rock battle in this classic computer game! We have both the guitar and the drum set.



Teens Cook: Some Like It Hot!

Wednesday, July 11

9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Ledyard Congregational Church

Explore pizza types you know and don't know about.

Let's try a veggie crust, maybe a dessert pizza, and traditional styles. Who doesn't love pizza? Bring your aprons, appetites and creativity for this cooking event. Safety is key in the kitchen, so closed-toe shoes and hair restraints are a must.



Minecraft Open Play Monday, July 23

5:00 – 7:00 pm

Gales Ferry Library

Register on the LION library Minecraft server and join us with your friends at the library to challenge yourself. How tall can you build your structure? Can you beat your friends? Go to

<http://minecraft.lioninc.org> to register.

Guidelines:

In order to use the LION Minecraft server you must:

- Hold a valid LION library card in good standing
- Have your own Minecraft account (not Minecraft PE)
- Be 17 years of age or under



Movies and Pizza Friday August 10

5:00– 9:00 pm

Bill Library

Join us for a fun evening with pizza and movies! Showing “The Greatest Showman” (PG) and “Wrinkle in Time” (PG).



Ice Cream Social Tuesday, August 14

6:00 – 7:00 pm

Bill Library



Prizes awarded to those who read and volunteered the most this summer while enjoying a yummy sundae! If you would like a certificate of the hours you volunteered, please let us know. We will also brainstorm ideas for next summer.

If you have any questions, call Mrs. Brewer at 860-464-9912 or email at: nbrewer@ledyard.lioninc.org

Adult Programs

Senior Center Book Discussion

Mary Ellen Osborne, from the Gales Ferry Library, conducts a monthly book discussion at the Ledyard Senior Center.

Anyone 55 years of age or older is eligible to participate. The group meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am. Upcoming books are distributed monthly at the discussion. All books chosen are available in large print and audio, as well as, regular versions. Please contact Mary Ellen if you would like a copy of the book.



Upcoming dates:

June 27: *The Japanese Lover* by Isabel Allende

July 25: *The Face on the Milk Carton* by Caroline Cooney

August 22: *Mr. Churchill's Secretary* by Susan Elia MacNeal

September 26: *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

2018 One Book, One Region

Kickoff for OBOR

Tuesday, June 26

5:30 pm

CURE Innovation Commons,

93 Shennecossett Road, Groton, CT.

Exit West by Mohsin Hamid has been chosen as the sixteenth annual “One Book, One Region.” selection. The book will be introduced through video clips and a presentation by Connecticut College Visiting Scholar-in-Residence Bina Nepram. Refreshments will be served.

Exit West Book Discussion

Wednesday, August 1

7:00 pm

Gales Ferry Library (Note this is after hours)

Shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize and a finalist for The National Book Critics Circle Award, the novel follows two young people who meet in a country on the brink of civil war. When it explodes, turning familiar streets into a patchwork of checkpoints and bomb blasts, they begin to hear whispers about doors—doors that can whisk people far away. As the violence escalates, Nadia and Saeed decide that they must leave their homeland and old lives behind. They find a door and step through...



Please join us to share the reading experience in our reorganized study area. There will be refreshments. Copies of the book will be available at both Libraries. Mohsin Hamid will appear at Connecticut College’s Palmer Auditorium on September 26, at 7:00 p.m.

Online Book Discussions

The online book discussions continue through the summer. Copies of the books will be available at both libraries and participants are encouraged to read the book and post their comments on the library website at www.ledyard.lioninc.org any time during the month. Click the “Adults” link in the left column and select “Online book discussion” from the drop down menu. Click the link for the book title to see information about the book. These discussions are open to the public and all participants are welcome.

June: *Daphne: a novel* by Will Boast. Daphne is a young woman who starts experiencing unusual symptoms that lead to a diagnosis of a rare but real condition where any extreme emotion that she experiences causes a partial paralysis of her body.

July: *Exit West*- Mohsin Hamid. Read this year’s OBOR selection and join us for the discussion on August 1.

August: *Bless Me Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya - First published in 1972, this book is one of the 100 Great American Read titles for this summer (PBS and New York Times program for 2018.) A great coming of age novel and one of the most respected pieces of contemporary Chicano Literature. If you have already read this choose another title from the GAR list that you haven't read.

September: *Hunger: A Memoir of (My) Body* by Roxane Gay. "The book's short, sharp chapters come alive in vivid personal anecdotes. . . . And on nearly every page, Gay's raw, powerful prose plants a flag, facing down decades of shame and self-loathing by reclaiming the body she never should have had to lose." (*Entertainment Weekly*)



Cookbook Club

The group meets on the first Tuesday, at 12:30, at the Gales Ferry Library. Each month, a cookbook is distributed. Cookbooks are available at Gales Ferry Library, if you are unable to attend the monthly club or by contacting Mary

Ellen Osborne at 860-464-6943. Group members peruse the cookbook for the month, trying as many recipes as they please. They provide a sample of one recipe at the next discussion for all to share. We taste test and discuss the cookbook for about an hour each month. Space is limited. At this time, we are unable to take new members. The cookbooks we will be sampling in the upcoming months are:

July- No Cookbook Club

August 7- *Around the World in 120 Salads* by Katie & Giancarlo Caldesi

September 4- *The Harvest Baker* by Ken Haedrich

October 2 - *Paula Deen's Southern Cooking Bible*.

Gales Ferry Library's New Spice Collection

The Cookbook Club at Gales Ferry Library is starting a spice and herb collection. If you would like to donate to it, please bring in a new container of any nonperishable spice or herb. Label the container with the date purchased.

As we collect spices, they will be made available to the public. If you need a teaspoon of cardamom or coriander for a recipe, check with the library before you purchase a jar. We will provide measuring spoons and a small bag for the spice.



Other Programs

The monthly programs will continue this summer with some exceptions. Hope to see you at the library.

Computer Genealogy Group @ the Library

June 20

Bill Library

7:00 pm

The Genealogy group will meet in June and then take a break for the summer. Programs will start up again in September.

Stock Investment Discussion Group

Tuesday, July 3, Aug 7, Sept 4

Gales Ferry Library

7:00 pm

We continue to meet on the first Tuesday of each month to discuss topics related to stock investing.

Discussion this quarter will include assessment of the current market conditions and individual stock selection. Stop by and join in the discussion! If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ellen at the Gales Ferry Library.



Ledyard Historical Society – Open Archive

You are part of Ledyard's history!

Saturdays: July 7, Aug. 4, Sept. 1

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 pm Bill Library

Help us in our quest to preserve Ledyard's History. We are collecting items of local interest to add to our digital collection. We will scan your copies and return the original to you along with a digital copy placed on your flash drive. Your Gales Ferry and Ledyard memories will be added to the archive in the Janice W. Bell Historical Research Room at the Bill Library.

We can also assist you in preserving your family history:

- Donations of materials related to the people, buildings, and events of Ledyard and Gales Ferry are gratefully accepted for preservation and inclusion in the collection for future researchers, either as digital copies or the items themselves.
- Need a safe home for family history items that may not interest younger generations? We can provide that home, and will give you a digital copy. (We can even arrange for items to be kept private until a future date of your choosing.)
- Digital copies are easy to share with far-flung family members, or use as a back-up if the original is lost or damaged.

Contact Andrea Buka at research@ledyardhistory.org or 860-464-9912 (Bill Library) for more information.



The Great American Read



The Great American Read (GAR) is searching for the country's best-loved novel. PBS and the producers worked with a public opinion polling service to conduct a demographically and

statistically representative survey asking Americans to name their most-loved novel. Approximately 7,200 people participated and 100 works of fiction were selected. How many of these books have you read? Both libraries have a display that includes many of the books on the list. We encourage you read as many of the books as you can and vote on your favorite. Watch the PBS GAR television series over the summer that features entertaining and informative documentary segments, with compelling testimonials from celebrities, authors, notable Americans and book lovers across the country. Share your story on the GAR website – which novel had the biggest impact on your life. Join the GAR Book club on facebook and add your comments to the discussion. For more information and to see how to vote for your favorite visit The Great American Read Website at <https://www.pbs.org/the-great-american-read/home/>

Marty Hubbard is Retiring

After working 18 years as Senior Assistant Librarian at Ledyard Libraries Marty Hubbard will be retiring. Her last day of work will be Friday June 29. Be sure to stop in and say good bye to her before she leaves. Enjoy some refreshments with her during the week of June 25. Note on Thursday, June 28 her shift will be at Gales Ferry Library.



Donations

The following donations were received for the library. We are grateful for these gifts that will be used to purchase books and other materials for the libraries.

In Memory of:

- Susan Warren

Gift to the library

- Ledyard Garden Club
- Ledyard Lion's Club
- Glenwoods Book Club

Thank you also to all the patrons who so generously contribute to our book fund at both libraries

Seed Exchange Program



Calling all gardeners! Bill Library is considering beginning a seed exchange program for next year and we need your input. Is this something that would be of interest to you?

Would you be willing to volunteer some time to help with the programs? Helpers will be needed to sort and catalog the seeds and to reach out to local farms and agricultural businesses for seed donations. If you have any suggestions or interest in helping with this program, please contact Laura (Inorcia@ledyard.lioninc.org) at Bill Library.

Bill Library Display Case

Bill Library is looking for community members who have collections/displays they would like to share, by displaying them in our secure case.



Collections/displays may be of a unique interest, educational, historical, whimsical, seasonal, holiday-themed etc. and appropriate for library display. If you would like to share a personal collection or bring attention to your non-profit, open to the public, club/organization, please contact Laura at the Bill Library to reserve the case for a month. (Inorcia@ledyard.lioninc.org) . Case dimensions: 46.5" W X 24" D X 12" H (back) & 7" H (front), A Second round case is also available for larger items.

Rain Garden Workers



A big thank you goes to the Ledyard Garden Club for their hard work sprucing up the Rain Garden at Bill Library. Be sure to spend some time on the patio enjoying the space while you work, read or use our free Wi-Fi. Note: the Wi-Fi is available even when the library is closed.

Holiday Hours

July 4	Independence Day	Closed
September 3	Labor Day	Closed
September 8	Ledyard Fair	
	Bill Library	Closed

The Exquisite Project 2018

The Exquisite Project, an exhibit showcasing local artists and writers' experimentation in working from each other's creations in a series format, was enjoyed throughout the month of April at the Bill Library. The opening reception, held Saturday, April 7th, gave attendees the chance to chat with most of the 25 writers and artists who submitted 30 pieces to the show. Congratulations to this year's exhibitors on a wonderful show!

Artist	Writer
Connie Burianek	Scott Buka
Ben Coffing	Tyson Carstensen
Shawn Coffing	Melissa Crandall
Robert Farace, Jr.	Tashanna Edwards
Robin Franklin	Marty Hubbard
Terry George	Heather Hunt
Lorain Ohio Simister	Austin 'Butch' Jordan
Megan Wallace	Stacey Longo
Hannah Walsh	Annie McCosh
Sarah Walsh	G. Elmer Munson
Barry Watrous	Jean-Yves Solinga
Melanie Watrous	Ryanne Strong
Heather Yano	John Valeri

Artist & Writer
John W. Malenda

Andrea Buka,
Exquisite Project Coordinator

Friends Meeting Tuesday, July 24 Bill Library

7:15 pm



The Friends welcome you to join us at our summer Friends Meeting. Come hear what new items our Program and Development Committees are working on to enrich our community and raise funds for the Ledyard Libraries. We always enjoy hearing new voices and new ideas.

The Gales Ferry Library Book Cellar completed a successful half-price sale in June. Thanks to the Friends, volunteers and library staff who worked hard to make this sale a success. Thanks also to all of the patrons who supported this important event. All proceeds go directly to support the Ledyard Libraries.

Plans are being finalized for the Annual Bill Library Book Sale. Volunteers are needed for the sale to help with set up, cashiering and clean up. If you have helped in the past, please expect an e-mail or phone call from the Chairperson, Sarah Desormier. New volunteers who may not have helped in the past are also welcome.

Below are the important dates and information. Please feel free to contact Sarah at jnsdeso@comcast.net to volunteer, ask questions, or provide comments or suggestions.

Important dates for the 2018 Annual Book Sale at Bill Library

Last day books are accepted: Saturday, July 7, 1:00 pm
Set up:

- Saturday, August 25, 2:00 pm carry shelves up
- Monday, August 27, 6:30 pm carry books up
- Tuesday, August 28 through Wed, Sept 5, put books on shelves, library hours

Cashier training: Cashier training will be drop in, so all will have time to practice processing credit cards.

- Thursday, August 30, any time between 4:00 and 6:30 pm

Sale hours staffed by volunteers: Cashiers will be scheduled for three hour shifts, with 2 people per shift.

- Wednesday, September 5, 6:00 – 9:00 pm
Members' night (\$5 entry for non-members)
- Thursday, September 6, 9:00 – 9:00 pm
- Friday, September 7, 9:00 – 9:00 pm
- Saturday, September 8, 9:00 – 9:00 pm
- Sunday, September 9, 12:00 – 6:00 pm
- Monday, September 10, 9:00 – 8:00 pm

Sale hours not staffed by volunteers: Customers pay at the library check-out desk

- Tuesday, September 11 – Wednesday, September 12, 9:00 am – 8:00 pm
- Friday, September 14, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Clean up:

- Saturday, September 15, 10:00 am
Box up books and carry shelves down

Please remember that you do not have to wait for an advertised sale to pick up reading material! You can always stop by either Bill or Gales Ferry Library any day during normal library hours. The Friends have a great selection of books for sale at our Ongoing Book Sales at both locations.

See you at the library!

Sincerely,

Harry Pearson,

President, Friends of the Ledyard Libraries
pearsonhl@tvconnect.net or 860-287-2670

Friends Annual Bill Library Book Sale

September 6-14, 2018

(September 5 – members' night)

Books, games, puzzles and lots more

Mark your calendar now!!



LIBRARY SUMMER HOURS

BILL

860-464-9912

Monday- Wednesday 9-8

Thursday Closed

Friday 9-5

Saturday 9-1

Sunday Closed

email: bill-lib@ledyard.lioninc.org

GALES FERRY

860-464-6943

Monday – Tuesday 9-8

Wednesday -Thursday 9-5

Friday Closed

Saturday 9-1

Sunday Closed

email: gf-lib@ledyard.lioninc.org



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