

Bill Library

718 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, CT 06339
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Hours: Mon – Wed. 9-8; Thurs. 9-1;
Fri.—Sat 9-5; Sun Closed



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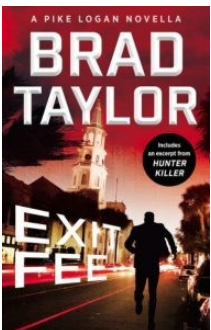
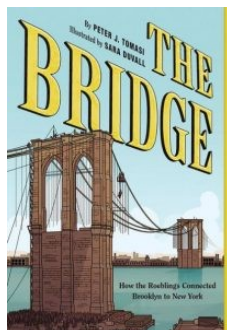
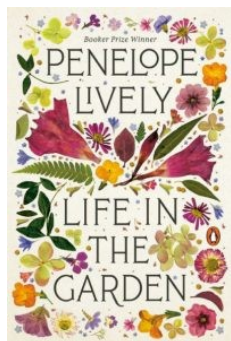
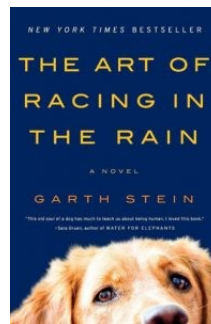
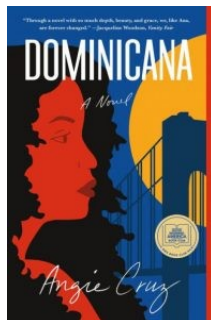
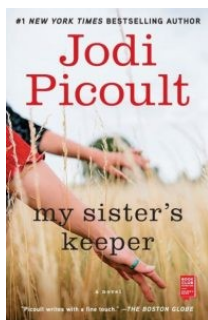
Gales Ferry Library

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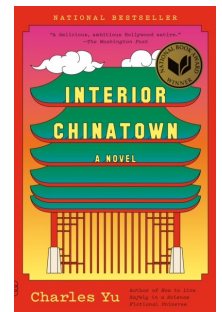
Adult Summer Reading Challenge Tales and Tails June 1—August 7

Join us this summer for an adult summer reading challenge! We challenge you to read a book from each of fifteen different categories. The categories include a book about another culture, a memoir, a young adult book, a book set before 1950, a book set in New England and more. You will find a list of all the categories [here](#) and clicking on each one will bring up a list of suggested books. For every three categories completed enter your name into a drawing for a prize. A random drawing will be held at the end of the program in August. Challenge yourself to complete all of the categories.



One Book One Region *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu

The steering committee has announced the title of this year's OBOR selection. We invite you to join your friends and neighbors in reading *Interior Chinatown* by Charles Yu. The book "follows a generic Asian man in his efforts to become more than a bit player". A virtual Kick off event is planned for June 24. Details for this event and others will be found on the [OBOR website](#).



News from the Ledyard Seed Library

We hope that your gardening season has gotten off to a great start! We have enjoyed seeing your pictures of seedlings growing from our seeds! If you have pictures of your gardening successes, using our seeds, we would love to share them with others. If interested, please send your pictures to Laura at garden-er@ledyard.lioninc.org.

Also, we have lots of American Meadows wildflower seeds ("Bee the Change" & "Happy Earth Day") that you can pick up at either Bill or Gales Ferry Libraries. These were generously donated by Bio Tech Pest Control, LLC from Westerly, RI. In addition, if you still need garden seeds for now or for late season planting, we have plenty to choose from (vegetables, flowers & herbs)! Stop by the Seed Library at Bill Library during our regular hours.

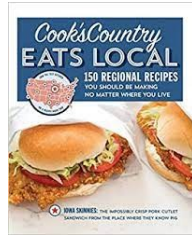
Monthly Events

Cookbook Club

Tuesday, June 1
Zoom

12:30 pm

Cook's Country Eats Local by America's Test Kitchen will be our chosen book for June. Join us for our virtual monthly cookbook club meetings. We will pick a theme for each month and discuss recipes we have tried. Looking ahead to August we will select recipes from *Katie Lee's Easy-Breezy Eats: The Endless Summer Cookbook* and *The Complete Summer Cookbook: Beat the Heat with 400 Recipes that Make the Most of Summer's Bounty* by America's Test Kitchen. Email Lisa, lmurno@ledyard.lioninc.org for your Zoom invitation.

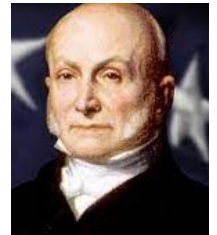


Presidents Book Discussion

Tuesday, June 8
President John Quincy Adams
Zoom

7:00 pm

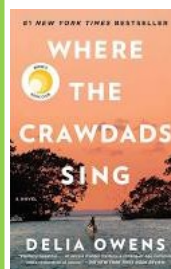
John Quincy Adams will be our topic for this month and we will look at *John Quincy Adams* by Harlow Giles Unger and *John Quincy Adams* by Robert V. Remini



The American Presidents Book Discussion group will focus on the White House years of former American presidents. We discuss the impact American Presidents have had while in office, and their trials and triumphs additionally.

Senior Book Discussion

Wednesday, June 23 at 10:30 AM
Ledyard Senior Center
Ages 55+



The library will once again collaborate with the Senior Center to facilitate a book discussion on the fourth Wednesday of every month. The book for June is *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Della Owens. Books may now be picked up at the Gales Ferry Library.

Stock Discussion Group

Current Events Impact on Investing
Tuesday, June 1
Zoom

7:00 pm

Harry Pearson will facilitate a discussion on the impact of current events. The link to join will be found on our website.



Discussion and questions and answers are encouraged as participants learn how economic conditions affect the stock market.

Special Events

Pine Swamp Wildlife Corridor Hike

Saturday, June 5 at 10 AM

Join Terri Eickel from Avalonia for a hike at the Pine Swamp to celebrate Connecticut Trails Day!

"Trails Day is a two-day national event on the first weekend in June every year. It is a great time to

pay tribute to all the wonderful trails our country has to offer. Trails and open spaces have become the places to escape to and enjoy when we need fresh air, a place to be inspired and to connect with our natural world." Stay tuned for parking information and trail length. Click [here](#) to register



Join the Conversation



Special Events Continued

Ledyard's Town Trails

Monday, June 7 6:30 pm

Zoom

Back by popular demand, we will once again host Meghan Read from the Ledyard Conservation Commission. This presentation serves as an introduction to the main trails in Ledyard. Register [here](#) and the Zoom link will be emailed to you.

How to Run a Meeting

Tuesday, June 15 7:00 pm

Zoom



Mark B. Desrosiers, DMD, CP, RP, a certified parliamentarian will present the basics of running a meeting. Parliamentary procedure is about guaranteeing the rights of all members while getting the business of a meeting completed in as efficient manner as possible. In this presentation, Dr. Desrosiers will cover the principles of parliamentary procedure that guide the many rules. He will also review the most used rules and motions used in town committees and commissions. Dr. Desrosiers serves as one of the Town Moderators in Columbia, Ct and is a member or chair of various committees. Click The Library Events tab from our web page for the Zoom link.

This virtual meeting will allow for a fifteen minute question period after a forty-five minute presentation.

The Secret Life of Vines: Tendrils, Twines, Scramblers and Bines

Saturday, June 19

1:00 PM

Zoom



Join long-time student of the natural world, Cathy Smith, to untangle the secret life of vines, their strategies for botanical success, and their significance in human history. Learn how to encourage healthy growth of native & cultivated vines, while discouraging invasive species. Click [here](#) to register.

Chinese Cultural Cooking

A One Book, One Region Event

Tuesday, June 29

6:30 pm

Facebook Live



Chef Rob of Simply Creative returns for a Facebook Live cooking presentation. Enjoy two Chinese cultural meals: Asian Shrimp Orzo Salad and Dragon Noodles with Chicken.

A List of Ingredients and Recipes will be available at Bill and Gales Ferry branches. Click [here](#) to register.

Friends

A Word from the Friends of the Ledyard Libraries

Half Price Book Sale

June 7 - 12

Mark your calendars for the Friends ½ price sale at both the Gales Ferry Book Cellar and Bill Library ongoing used book sale locations. The sale will be held during normal library hours, so be mindful of the schedules.

We are pleased to announce that we are now accepting gently used book and media donations. If you have books, and other media that you'd like to pass along for others to enjoy, please drop your donations off at the Gales Ferry Library.

The Friends of the Ledyard Libraries are always looking for energetic people to help us improve the library experience. If you are interested in learning more about how you can help support the libraries through the Friends, please contact a Friend or a member of the library staff for more information. Proceeds from all of our activities go directly to support the Ledyard Library.



Children

Summer Reading



Tails and Tales: Read, Make, Explore Summer Adventure Program

June 12 – August 7

Age 2 – Grade 6

June 12 is the first day to register and begin logging adventures. What are adventures? ANYTHING that tells your story. What do you read? What are you making? Are you exploring new places or things? We want you to share your story and not only will you get a free book but you will be entered into a prize drawing. (Two winners for each prize – drawn randomly). You can log your adventures online or with a paper log that you turn in when completed. Summer reading ends August 7. Plenty of time to write your story! Also, be sure to check our [events page](#) for activities that you can use as adventures.

Register [here](#) and start exploring!

Special Programs @ the Library

Stuffed Animal Workshop

Saturday, June 12

10:00 or 11:00 am (2 sessions)

Ages 2-18

Come to the library's patio area for our kick off program to build and adopt a stuffed animal. Choose between a black labrador or a lamb. Space is limited so sign up early. If it rains the outdoor program will be cancelled but participants can pick up their kit to make at home. Register [here](#) for 10:00 or [here](#) for 11:00 am.

Summer Storytime & Chalk the Walk

Monday, June 14, 21, 28,

10:30 am

Bill Library

All ages



Join us for a socially distanced story time on the lawn then help decorate our sidewalks. Special guest reader and local author Julia Reid will join us June 21 to read her book *Alex and the Magical Coat*. The event will be cancelled if there is rain. Please register on the [Events Page](#) for each session you wish to attend.

Creation Station Mandala Sun Catcher

Friday, June 18

10:00 am or 11:00 am (2 sessions)

Bill Library

All ages

Come to the library's patio area to create a mandala sun catcher using gel stain. If it rains the outdoor program will be cancelled but participants can pick up their kit to make at home. Register [here](#) to attend at 10:00 and [here](#) for 11:00 am.



Special Programs Continued

Creation Station Robot Pull Toy

Friday, June 26

10:00 am and 11:00 am (2 sessions)

Bill Library

Ages 3-10

Come to the library's patio area to create a robot pull toy. If it rains the outdoor program will be cancelled but participants can pick up a portion of the supplies to make the craft at home. If it rains the outdoor program will be cancelled but participants can pick up their kit to make at home. Register [here](#) to attend at 10:00 and [here](#) for 11:00 am.

Summer Events

Mrs. Burt at the Farmer's Market

Wednesday, June 2

Stop by the library's booth to hear a story, learn about programs, and color a bookmark.



Family Movies on the Green

Over the Hedge

Friday, June 11

8:00 pm



We are pleased to collaborate with Ledyard Parks and Recreation to bring you monthly family movies on the Town Green in front of Bill Library. This month features a family comedy about a "A scheming raccoon who fools a mismatched family of forest creatures into helping him repay a debt of food, by invading the new suburban sprawl that popped up while they were hibernating" (IMBD.com) Watch a trailer [here](#). Bring your blanket or chair and don't forget the popcorn!

Virtual Programs

Lego Club

Wednesday, June 16

Zoom

3:30 pm

Ages 6-11

Join us for our monthly sessions. We will continue to meet via Zoom to build together and share our love of Legos. Click [here](#) to register.



Farm Tale # 1: Wind Farms

Wednesday, June 23

Facebook Live

10:00 am

Ages 6-11

The library is partnering with UConn 4-H New London County to provide farm related activities. This week we will build our own wind turbine and see if we can create enough energy to lift some raisins or pennies. Pick up a kit from the library and then join a Facebook Live build-along session. Mrs. Burt will read *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer and send you a link to the recording. Follow along as she reads or read on your own. Register [here](#) for your kit.

4-H Break-out! Escape Rooms

Wednesday, June 30

Ages 6-11

10:00 am

New Breakout! games will be posted on the odd week of the 4-H Farm Tales activities. You can play the games anytime during the summer. Challenge a friend to complete the virtual puzzles and see who can escape the fastest. New games will be posted for each session. Register [here](#) to participate.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ongoing
Sign up now!

Ages 0-5

Start your child on the path to a life-long love of reading! You can join this free program at any time—it's easy, fun, and a great way to bond with your child. Interested in signing up or learning more? Go to [1000 Books Before Kindergarten](#).



Teens



Tails and Tales: Read, Make, Explore Summer Adventure Program

June 12 – August 7

Grade 7-12

Sign up for summer reading and tell us your tale. Log adventures for a chance to win prizes and everyone receives a free book! You can log your adventures online or with a paper log that you turn in when completed. Summer reading ends August 7. Plenty of time to write your story! Also, be sure to check our [events page](#) for more activities that you can use as adventures.

Register [here](#) and start exploring!

Need some ideas?

- ◆ Read a book or an ebook
- ◆ Cook something and share it with someone
- ◆ Find something in your house that is broken and try to fix it
- ◆ Design your own game
- ◆ Find music you have never listened to and make a new playlist
- ◆ Go on a hike or try geocaching
- ◆ Try a new sport like Frisbee Golf

Code Club

Code Club

Children and teens

Sharpen your code club skills with these free resources available from our website. Visit <http://www.ledyard.lioninc.org/children/coding-club/> to see the list. Don't forget, you may also check out Sphero and Ozobot coding robots from the library!

Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, June 22

3:00 pm

Zoom

Grade 7 and up

We will meet on the patio to plan for the future and discuss ongoing programs. If interested in joining email Mrs. Burt for an application. If you are entering 7th grade or above and are interested in contributing to your Library as a TAB member or want to get involved in other TAB activities visit the Teen Services page on our website: <http://www.ledyard.lioninc.org/teens/>

Volunteer Opportunities

Ongoing

Teens are able to earn volunteer hours virtually or can inquire about how they can help as we fully open the library once again.

Summer Reading

Check out our new arrivals and start your summer reading!



Photography Contest

Teen Smartphone Photography Contest

Winners Announced!

Congratulations to the winners of the photography contest. Photos were submitted in three categories and the winners are:

Nature and Scenery:

- ◆ Winner: Katelyn Geren
- ◆ Runner Up: Joshua Knight

Animals and Pets:

- ◆ Winner: Klaire Gielegem
- ◆ Runner Up: Melina Di Garbo

Books:

- ◆ Winner: Evie Curry
- ◆ Runner Up: Terri Foster

Thank you to all who participated. Voting is over but you can still see a gallery of all the photos by clicking [here](#). Special thanks to the Teen Advisory Board members for their help in the planning of this program.

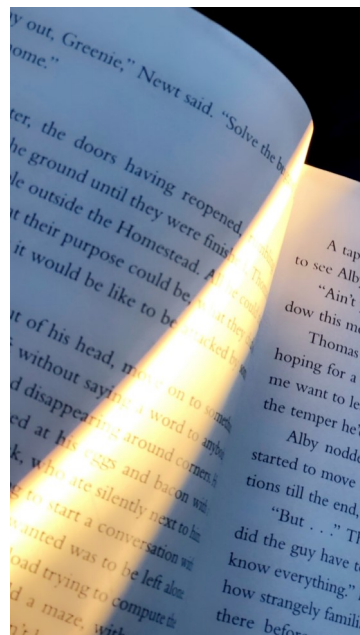
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Books—Winner: Evie Curry



Janice W. Bell Research Room

Mondays: 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. (except holidays)
Other days by appointment.

Looking for volunteer opportunities this summer? We are looking for teen and adult helpers in the following areas: Web design (Wordpress), social media posting, digitization (scanning photos and historical documents) and setting up community-sourced image sharing, as well as non-computer jobs such as adding obituaries to our files. Contact Andrea Buka at research@ledyardhistory.org or 860-464-9912 (Bill Library) for more information.

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