

## Bill Library

718 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, CT 06339  
860- 464-9912

Hours: Mon – Wed. 9-8;  
Thurs. 9-1 closed as of 9/30,  
Fri. & Sat 9-5; Sun 1-5 (starting 9/26)



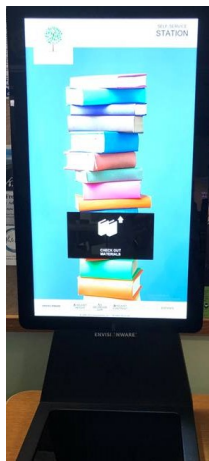
Learn | Discover | Create | Connect

## Gales Ferry Library

18 Hurlbutt Road, Gales Ferry, CT 06335  
860- 464-6943

Hours: Mon. – Tues. 9-8;  
Wed. - Thurs. & Sat 9-5;  
Fri & Sun. Closed

## Self Checkout



At Bill Library it is now possible to check out your own library materials. A self checkout station has been installed in front of the circulation desk for patrons who want to do it themselves. Patrons will need to use their valid library card for this service. Funding for this project is made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act, administered by the Connecticut State Library.



## Fall Hours



Fall hours will resume after Labor Day with some changes. Bill Library will open on Sundays from 1-5 beginning September 26. We will not be open on Thursday morning.

Gales Ferry Library will be open as usual 9-5 on Thursday. The fall hours are:

### Bill Library

Monday—Wednesday 9:00 am—8:00 pm  
Thursday—Closed (Starting September 30)  
Friday—Saturday—9:00 am—5:00 pm  
Sunday - 1:00—5:00 PM (Starting September 26)

### Gales Ferry Library

Monday—Tuesday 9:00 am—8:00 pm  
Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 9:00 am—5:00 pm  
Friday & Sunday—Closed

## September is LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!

"A library card provides opportunity for discovery and access to a rich and diverse world. It empowers you to make change and experience new stories."

— MARLEY DIAS, Library Card Sign-Up Month Honorary Chair



LIBRARIES TRANSFORM ALA OverDrive Library Champions



## Holiday Closing

Monday, September 6, 2021

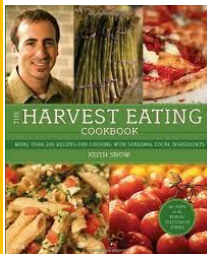
Labor Day



## Monthly Events

### Cookbook Club

**Tuesday, September 7** **12:30 pm**  
**(Rain date Sept 14) Gales Ferry Library Grounds**



Join us this fall to review the cookbook of the month, share recipes, and enjoy. Select your recipes from *The Harvest Eating Cookbook* by Keith Snow.

Stacey and Lisa will serve with tables set up on the grounds of Gales Ferry Library. Rain will postpone to the second Tuesday. Masks are optional, and we ask that you be mindful of social distancing.

Looking ahead to October the cookbook will be *The Complete Mediterranean Cookbook* by America's Test Kitchen.

### Stock Discussion Group

**Tuesday, September 7** **7:00 pm**  
**The Significance of Including Dividend Paying Stocks in your Investment Portfolio**  
**Zoom and In-Person Meeting**

Join us for a discussion of topics pertinent to stock investment. Harry Pearson will facilitate a discussion on the impact of current events. Participants are encouraged to participate in the discussion and join in the Q & A. The link to join Zoom will be found on the library website.

### Presidents Book Discussion

**Tuesday, September 14** **7:00 pm**  
**President Franklin Delano Roosevelt**  
**Zoom**

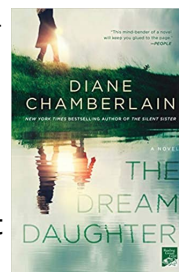
Franklin Delano Roosevelt will be our topic for this month and we will look at: *Man of Destiny: FDR and Making of the American Century* by Alonzo Hambly and *FDR* by Jean Edward Smith.

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

*The Dream Daughter* by Diane Chamberlain  
**Wednesday, September 22** **10:30 am**  
**Ledyard Senior Center** **Ages 55+**

Join us for our monthly book discussion of "a rich, genre-spanning, breathtaking novel about one mother's quest to save her child, unite her family, and believe in the unbelievable." Books are passed out at the monthly meetings, or pick up a copy at the Gales Ferry Library.



## Special Events

### Triple A Retirement

**Wednesday, September 22** **6:00 pm**  
**Zoom**

If you are approaching or in retirement, join us for this free presentation. Learn how to protect yourself from retirement's greatest threats, increase your Social Security retirement income by up to 65%, and receive Social income from your ex or deceased spouse's earnings, and more. Please Register [here](#) to attend.

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

**Saturday, September 25** **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. Re-scheduled from June. Click [here](#) to register.

## Special Events Continued

### Fly Casting with Trout Unlimited

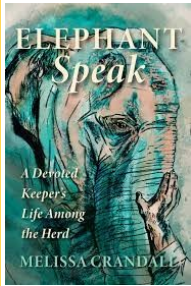
Saturday, October 2  
Highlands Lake Park

1:30 pm  
Ages 10-Adult

Learn up to 4 fly casts with Trout Unlimited's Thames Valley Chapter in Highlands Lake Park on Shewville Road, Ledyard. This is a free and fun outside workshop, and all equipment is provided. There will be many teachers and volunteers on hands. Limited space. Registration will open soon on our [Events page](#).

**Melissa Crandall, author of *Elephant Speak*:  
*A Devoted Keeper's Life Among the Herd***  
Monday, October 4  
Bill Library

6:30 pm  
Ages 12—adult



Former Connecticut resident, Melissa Crandall will discuss her story about Roger Henneous and his 30 year love-affair with the elephants at the Oregon Zoo. Books will be available to purchase and have signed. [Registration](#) suggested but walk ins are welcome.

## Adult Summer Reading Challenge Winners

The Adult Summer Reading Program was a hit this summer! This program involved reading a book from 15 different categories and earning up to 5 tickets over the course of 8 weeks. Of the 15-choice themes, our patrons read some of our new graphic novels at the Bill Library, titles with the word, Lake in them, books about New England, mysteries or thrillers, an animal as a main character, and titles with a beach theme to name a few. Comments overall were that our summer reading program was fun, and that it stretched the genre of what our patrons normally read.

We had 35 participants with over 300 books read! Our lucky winners were Kathy Chamberlain for the Valentino's Gift Card and Nancy Brewer for the Bank Square Books in Mystic. Congratulations to the winners and thanks for a great summer of reading!

## Ledyard Seed Library

As the gardening season winds down, we would love to hear what you've been harvesting and how you've been using your bounty! Do you have some favorite go-to recipes? Have you tried something new?

Please share your recipes with us! We will add them to our "Recipe Box" on the Ledyard Seed Library gardening page from our website ([ledyard.lioninc.org](http://ledyard.lioninc.org)). Please email your recipes to Laura at [gardener@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:gardener@ledyard.lioninc.org). Thanks!



### AMERICAN PRESIDENTS BOOK DISCUSSION

FDR - September 14

TR - October 12

JFK - November 9

2nd Tuesday of the month,  
7 p.m. In-Person and Zoom,  
Gales Ferry Library

## Join the Conversation



# Children

## Special Programs @ the Library

### Let's Create!

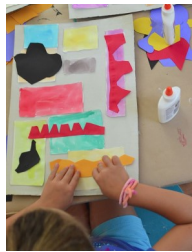
Painting with Scissors:

Wednesday, September 8

Bill Library

4 pm

Ages 6-11



This program is a study of artist Henri Matisse. Each month we will explore different arts and crafts to create together! Projects are geared toward independent workers but younger siblings are welcome if parents are there to assist. Register

[here](#) to attend!

### Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, September 14, 21, 28

Gales Ferry Library

10:30 am

Ages 3-5

A fun and energetic storytime! Learning stations will be offered at the end of each storytime that will actively engage, entertain, and build the skills of the children who participate. Register [here](#) to attend.



### Giggles and Wiggles

Wednesday, September 15, 22, 29 All Ages

Bill Library 10:30 am

A storytime for everyone! Great stories, fun finger plays, and lots of dancing. This will be held both outside and inside as the weather allows. [Registration is suggested](#) to reserve your place but walk-ins are welcome as space allows.

### Mrs. Burt at the Farmer's Market

Wednesday, September 1

4:00—7:00 pm

Stop by the library's booth at the Ledyard Farmer's Market for face painting and beading craft fun. Hope to see you there!



### Code Club

Saturday, September 18

Gales Ferry Library

10:00 am

Ages 8 – 12

Join us to learn how to code and meet other coders. You may use a library computer or bring your own laptop/tablet. We will also have the Ozobots available. Click [here](#) to register.

### Graphic Novel Book Club

Monday, September 20

Bill Library

4:00 pm

Ages 8-11



Join us as we discuss *This Was Our Pact* by Ryan Andrews. This fantasy novel follows the adventures of Ben and his classmates who are determined to find out what happens to the paper lanterns that float down the river on the Autumnal Equinox. Books will be available to pick up the month before we meet to discuss the books. Click [here](#) to register.

## Virtual Programs

### Lego Club

Wednesday, September 15

Zoom

4:00 pm

Ages 6 – 11

We will continue to meet monthly via Zoom to build together and share our love of Legos. Register [here](#) for the Zoom link.



## Family Movies on the Green

The Princess Bride

Friday, September 10

Movies start just after sunset

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. While home sick in bed, a young boy's grandfather reads him the story of a farmboy-turned-pirate who encounters numerous obstacles, enemies and allies in his quest to be reunited with his true love. (IMBD.com) Watch a trailer [here](#). Bring your blanket or chair and don't forget the popcorn!



## 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](#).



## Tails and Tales Summer Reading Survey

Thank you to ALL who participated in this summer's reading and adventure program. The children and teens really outdid themselves and we're so proud of this community of readers and adventure seekers!

Remember to stop by the library to get your free book and to please click [here](#) to go to the summer reading page and scroll down to fill out our survey.

TAKE THE SURVEY

## Teens

### LitLoot! Boxes

Registration for Fall Box opens September 1  
Grade 7-12

Our last box for 2021! Sign up to receive a box with specially selected books, a craft, stickers, treats, and more! Boxes will be available to pick up on October 1 and must be claimed within 10 days.



Teen Advisory Board  
Thursday, September 23  
Gales Ferry Library

4:00 pm  
Grade 7 and up

We are looking for new members! If you are interested in contributing to your library and community please email Mrs. Burt at [sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:sburt@ledyard.lioninc.org).

### Tween Time

Friday, September 24  
Bill Library

3:00 – 4:30 pm  
Grade 6-8

Registrations Suggested

Come to the library after school with your friends to create something, play a game, build with legos, or just hang out. Registration is strongly suggested but drop-ins are also welcome.



## Friends

### A Word from the Friends of the Ledyard Library

Books and More Sale

November 18-23

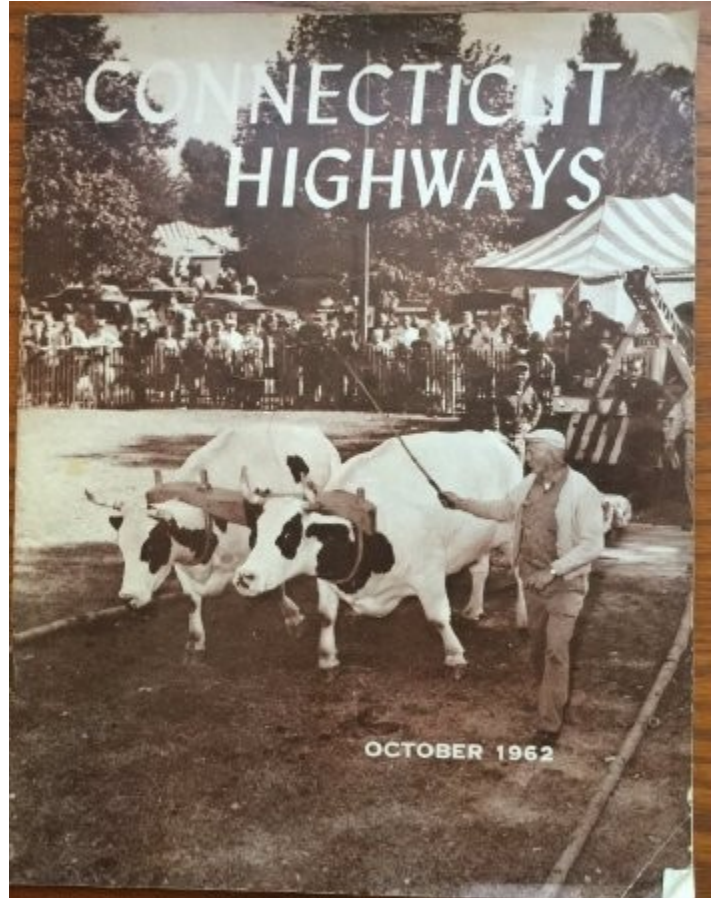
The library Friends will not be having the Annual Book Sale at Bill Library this year, but we will be expanding the Books & More silent auction, book sale, bake sale and craft sale. Volunteers are needed to help assemble and display the donations (both libraries), cashier, (Bill) and notify winning bidders, along with a few other associated tasks.

A silent auction for gift baskets will begin November 1. Stop by the Bill Library November 20 to place your final bid before the silent auction ends at 2:00 pm. Gift quality books will be offered at the sale along with baked goods and craft items.

Donations are gratefully accepted for this event whether it be an item for the silent auction, a baked good or craft item. Silent auction items should be dropped off at either library before November 1. Baked goods - pies, cookies, breads, cakes, etc. (fall themes) can be dropped off at Bill Library Friday, Nov. 19 between 9 am & 5 pm.

The Library Friends have also started a wish list on Amazon for items needed. Click [here](#) to view the list. Remember to visit the ongoing book sales at both libraries - in the meeting room at Bill Library, and the Book Cellar at Gales Ferry Library, each of which are open during normal library hours. All sales support the library.

Sarah Desormier  
President, Friends of the Ledyard Library  
[friends@ledyard.lioninc.org](mailto:friends@ledyard.lioninc.org), 860 464-9538



From the [digital collection](#) of the  
Ledyard Historical Society.

### Janice W. Bell Research Room

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

Looking for volunteer opportunities? 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 newspaper obituaries to our files.

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

# Ledyard Public Library

www.ledyard.lioninc.org

## September 2021



Learn | Discover | Create | Connect

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <a href="#">9:00 AM LitLoot! Box Registration: Fall Box</a>  <a href="#">4:00 PM Mrs. Burt at the Farmer's Market</a>	2	3	4
5	6 Closed for Labor Day 	7 <a href="#">12:30 PM Cookbook Club</a>  <a href="#">7:00 PM Stock Discussion</a>	8 <a href="#">4:00 PM Let's Create!</a>	9	10 <a href="#">8:30 PM Movies on the Green</a>	11
12	13 <a href="#">2:00 PM Open Archive</a>	14 <a href="#">10:30 AM Pre-school Storytime</a>  <a href="#">7:00 PM American Presidents Book Discussion</a>	15 <a href="#">10:30 AM Giggles and Wiggles</a>  <a href="#">4:00 PM Lego Club Zoom Edition</a>	16	17	18 <a href="#">10:00 AM Code Club</a>
19	20 <a href="#">2:00 PM Open Archive</a>  <a href="#">4:00 PM Graphic Novel Book Club</a>	21 <a href="#">10:30 AM Pre-school Storytime</a>	22 <a href="#">10:30 AM Giggles and Wiggles</a>  <a href="#">10:30 AM Senior Book Discussion</a>  <a href="#">6:00 PM Social Security and Retirement Maximization</a>	23 <a href="#">4:00 PM Teen Advisory Board</a>	24 <a href="#">3:00 PM Tween Time</a>	25 <a href="#">1:00 PM The Secret Life of Vines: Tendrils, Twines, Scramblers and Bines</a>
26	27 <a href="#">2:00 PM Open Archive</a>	28 <a href="#">10:30 AM Pre-school Storytime</a>	29 <a href="#">10:30 AM Giggles and Wiggles</a>	30		