

Bill Library

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

Hours: Mon – Wed. 9-8;

Thurs. closed

Fri. & Sat 9-5; Sun 1-5



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Gales Ferry Library

18 Hurlbutt Road, Gales Ferry, CT 06335
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History of Indigenous Peoples' Day

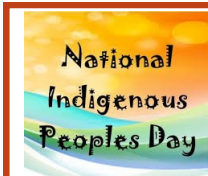
The first seed of Indigenous Peoples' Day was planted at a U.N. international conference on discrimination in 1977. The first state to recognize the day was South Dakota in 1989. Berkeley, California, and Santa Cruz followed suit.

Although the day was still considered Columbus Day up to 1937, many people began calling it Indigenous Peoples' Day to celebrate the rich culture and the lives of the Native American people.

For the Native Americans, Columbus Day was always hurtful as it glorified the violent past constituting 500 years of colonial torture and oppression by European explorers like Columbus and those who settled in America. Indigenous Peoples' Day draws attention to the pain, trauma, and broken promises that were erased by the celebration of Columbus Day. Before his arrival, the indigenous folk were successful self-sufficient communities that sustained life for thousands of years.

Indigenous Peoples' Day celebrates, recognizes, and honors the beautiful traditions and cultures of the Indigenous People, not just in America, but around the world. Their way of life and culture carries wisdom and valuable insights into how we can live life more sustainably.

Today, 14 U.S. states celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day and not Columbus Day, as well as the District of Columbia.



Holiday Closing

Monday, October 11, 2021

Indigenous Peoples Day

Sunday Hours

We are pleased to bring back Sunday hours at Bill Library this fall. The library is now open 1-5 on Sunday. Bill Library is closed all day on Thursday but Gales Ferry Library is open 9-5.

One Book One Region Finale

Charles Yu *Interior Chinatown*

Tuesday, October 5

7:00 pm

Garde Arts Center



Charles Yu will discuss his latest work, *Interior Chinatown*, this year's selection for One Book One Region 2021. Yu will be joined by Connecticut College Professor Ayako Takamori for an interactive Q&A session on stage.

Winner of the National Book Award for Fiction in 2020, *Interior Chinatown* is written in the form of a screenplay, telling the story of an aspiring Asian actor who discovers the secret history of Chinatown and the buried legacy of his family.

Now in its 19th year, One Book One Region is made possible through Connecticut Humanities; Eversource; the Libraries of Eastern CT; the Frank Loomis Palmer Fund, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee; Waterford Walmart; and Connecticut College's Office of the President.

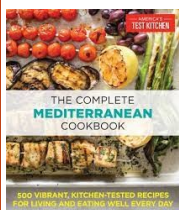
This event will be livestreamed and will be available at the following link.

Visit onebookoneregion.org to learn more.

Monthly Events

Cookbook Club

Tuesday, October 5 **12:30 pm**
(Rain date October 12) Gales Ferry Library Grounds



Join us this fall to review the cookbook of the month, share recipes, and enjoy. Select your recipes this month from *The Complete Mediterranean Cookbook* by America's Test Kitchen.

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 November the cookbook will be *The Sioux Chef's Indigenous Kitchen* by Sean Sherman.

Stock Discussion Group

Tuesday, October 5 **7:00 pm**
Individual vs. Institutional Investing
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, October 12 **7:00 pm**
President Theodore Roosevelt
Zoom and In-Person Meeting

Theodore Roosevelt will be our topic for this month and we will look at: *The bully pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the golden age of journalism* by Doris Kearns Goodwin; *Theodore Roosevelt* by Lewis Gould and *Theodore Roosevelt: A Biography* by Henry Pringle

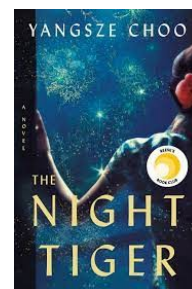
The American Presidents Book Discussion group will focus on the White House years of former American presidents. We discuss the impact American Presidents have had while in office, and their trials and triumphs additionally.

Senior Book Discussion

***The Night Tiger* by Yangsze Choo**
Wednesday, October 27
Ledyard Senior Center

10:30 am
Ages 55+

Join us for our monthly book discussion of *Night Tiger*, a "rich work of historical fiction combined with magical realism, which draws on the mythology and folklore of Malaysia." Books are passed out at the monthly meetings, or pick up a copy at the Gales Ferry Library.



Special Events

Fly Casting with Trout Unlimited

Saturday, October 2
Highlands Lake Park

1:30 pm
Ages 10-Adult

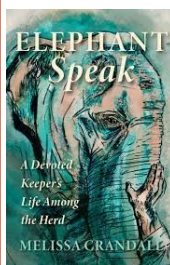
Learn up to 4 fly casts with Trout Unlimited's Thames Valley Chapter in Highlands Lake Park on Shewville Road, Ledyard. This is a free and fun outside workshop, and all equipment is provided. There will be many teachers and volunteers on hands. Space is limited. Click [here](#) to register!



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.

Please note: Masks are recommended for all indoor programs.

Special Events Continued

Mandala Collage

Saturday, October 9 and 16

10:30 am

Bill Library

Gerlinde Lehner will guide adult participants through a Mandala collage craft including your favorite music lyrics as she embeds meditation, music, and time to be creative. No art experience necessary. All paint supplies included, however, please bring some favorite magazine clippings or pictures, a pair of scissors and your favorite music lyrics. Plan to attend both sessions. Click [here](#) to register.

Traveling to EPIC Destinations

Monday, October 18

6:30 pm

Bill Library

Attorney, Glenn Carberry of Norwich will present a lecture and slide show of his experiences traveling in more than 60 countries visiting numerous World Heritage sites and other epic destinations around the globe. Click [here](#) to register.

Gratitude Meditation with Amy Rutledge

Tuesday, October 19,

7:00 pm

Zoom

Meditating on Gratitude can help us shift from a mindset of scarcity and fear to cultivation of more hope, abundance and joy in our lives! Class is 30 minutes with an intro, guided practice, and Q&A. Open to all levels. Beginners welcome! This is a virtual program. Click [here](#) to register.

The New Lawn:

Landscaping for Long Island Sound

Saturday, November 6

10:30 am

Bill Library

Join Judy Preston, from the Long Island Sound Study & CT Sea Grant (UConn), who will discuss how our yard landscaping impacts the health of local waterways & Long Island Sound. Rethink what lawns are, learn what "native" is (and why it matters) and how to attract & sustain wildlife. She will present ways to manage our landscapes to reduce water, fertilizer & chemical use, all to benefit these waterways & the Sound. Click [here](#) to register.

Make a Thanksgiving Appetizer with Chef Rob

Saturday, November 6

12:00 noon

Zoom

Join the Ledyard Library and Chef Rob for a fun hour preparing and cooking Grilled Salmon Sliders with a green onion dill sauce and Sweet Cinnamon Pumpkin Chocolate Chip Bread.

Click [here](#) to register.

Ledyard Seed Library

Seed Saving

Now is a great time to dry & save seeds for next year! If you have some seeds to share with the Ledyard Seed Library & community, you can bring your dried seeds, seed pods, stalks etc., enclosed in an envelope or brown paper bag, to Bill Library, ATTN: Laura. Please label each with your name, contact info (phone/email), name of plant & location. We will clean, sort, package & label them. We have lots of books on seed saving available for check out, if you aren't sure what to do. Any questions please email Laura at lnorcia@ledyard.lioninc.org.

Plant Fall Wildflowers

In colder climates late fall is a great time to plant wildflower seeds, typically after the first couple of hard frosts! The Ledyard Seed Library still has plenty of American Meadows wildflower seed packets, generously donated by Bio Tech Pest Controls, LLC. Stop by Bill or Gales Ferry Library to pick some up. Check out the Ledyard Public Library FB page for tips on planting wildflowers in late fall (October 12 post).



Join the Conversation



Children

Special Programs @ the Library

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Celebration

Saturday, October 2

10:30 am

Bill Library

For all 1000 BBK registrants both past and present! Join us for a story, craft, cake, and more to celebrate where you are on the journey. Register [here](#) for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program to receive your invite or email Mrs. Burt for more information.



Let's Create!

Do a Self Portrait Cubist Style

Wednesday, October 13

4 pm

Bill Library

Ages 6-11



Learn about cubism, Pablo Picasso, and make your own self portrait using the cubist style. This program will explore different arts and crafts and we will meet once a month to create together! Projects are geared toward independent workers but

younger siblings are welcome if parents are there to assist. Click [here](#) to register!

Preschool Storytime

Tuesday, October 5, 12, 19

10:30 am

Gales Ferry Library

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. Session two will open up in late October.



Giggles and Wiggles

Wednesday, October 6, 13, 20

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.

Code Club

Saturday, October 16

10:00 am

Gales Ferry Library

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.

Fall Fun Fest

Saturday, October 30

10:00 am

Bill Library

Grade Pre-K—6



Join us at Bill Library to paint a pumpkin, create a craft, hear a story, get your face painted, and more! Costumes are welcome but not required.

Registration is suggested but drop ins are welcome as availability of supplies allows. Click [here](#) to register!

Virtual Programs

Lego Club

Wednesday, October 20
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

Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark
Friday, October 15
Movies start just after sunset (Arrive by 7 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. "An intrepid archaeologist tries to beat a band of Nazis to a unique religious relic which is central to their plans for world domination." (Amazon.com) Watch a trailer [here](#). Bring your blanket or chair and don't forget the popcorn!



REGISTER FOR
COOKING BASICS FOR TEENS
Monday, October 4th
6:00 p.m.
7th - 12th Grade



At Gales Ferry United Methodist Church

Teens

LitLoot! Boxes

Pick-up October 1
Grade 7-12



Our last box for 2021! Registered participants receive a box with specially selected books, a craft, stickers, treats, and more!

Cooking Basics for Teens

Monday, October 4 6:00 pm
Gales Ferry United Methodist Church Grade 7-12

Learn the basics of cooking from Alex Rose. Alex Rose is a graduate of the International Culinary Center's Culinary Arts program. A cook at Oyster Club in Mystic, CT, her passion lies in cooking with local, fresh and unique ingredients. She has worked in kitchens since she was a teen and enjoys incorporating tips and tricks from a professional setting into the home kitchen to make for a smooth and empowering experience. Click [here](#) to register!



Harry Potter Trivia

Saturday, October 16
Bill Library

2:00 pm
Grade 7-12



Do you and your friends know everything about the Wizarding World of Harry Potter? Test your skills and you may be the winner of a gift card to Cloak and Wand in Mystic. Sign up in teams or individually to participate. Click [here](#) to register!



Friends

A Word from the Friends of the Ledyard Library

Thursday, October 21
Bill Library or Zoom (Hybrid)

7:00 pm

We hope to see you at our next Friends meeting, The Zoom link will be posted on our website beforehand. We will be discussing Books & More, the upcoming membership renewal period, and setting the budget for the year.

Books & More Sale and Silent Auction coming soon!
Bidding Starts November 1

Sale Days

November 18-23

Thank you to those of you who have begun donating items for the upcoming Books & More Silent Auction. We will happily accept donations of themed baskets, crafts, and baked goods. Items may be dropped off at either library. In addition, we are asking for donations of clean baskets of various sizes, tissue paper, and plastic gift shrink wrap. Items may be purchased locally or through our [Amazon link](#).



We are in need of volunteers for various positions on the board, along with assistance with Books & More and the membership drive. A separate e-mail with details will be sent soon.

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 go toward support of the library.

Sarah Desormier

President, Friends of the Ledyard Library

friends@ledyard.lioninc.org, 860-464-9538

Janice W. Bell Research Room

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

Looking for volunteer opportunities? We are looking for teen and adult helpers in the following areas: Website update (Wordpress) 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 or 860-464-9912
(Bill Library) for more information.

Ledyard Up-down Sawmill

Are you looking for a fun family activity this fall? Take a trip to Ledyard's own operating water-powered nineteenth century sawmill. The Fall 2021 visitor season starts Saturday October 2, 1:00-4:00 pm. The mill volunteers will be sawing locally harvested logs on Saturday afternoons. The sawmill and blacksmith shop will be open.

For more information about the mill visit <https://www.ledyardsawmill.org/>.



Ledyard Public Library

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