

Milford Public Library

Monday: 10-5
Tuesday-Thursday: 10-8:30
Friday: 1-5
Saturday: 10-5

April 2024



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GENEALOGY CLASS

Monday, April 1 at 11am

Genealogist Greg Thompson covers different topics each month to help you in your own genealogy research.

JOB FAIR

Wednesday, April 3 from 10am—2pm

A job fair for a variety of industries will be hosted by Milford Public Library, in partnership with Workforce Alliance and the American Job Center. Employers from local and regional companies will be in attendance, so come prepared to shine!

CRAFTING AND CONVERSATIONS: AHRENS RESPITE PROGRAM*

Thursday, April 4 at 11am

Join Social Service Coordinator, Christine Lyas, as she discusses the benefits of adult day programs for those with mild Alzheimer's and dementia, as well as providing support for caregivers. Jill Taricani, Ahrens Respite Program Coordinator will lead a craft for attendees.

FIVE YEARS UNDER NAZI OCCUPATION WITH AUTHOR ELISABETH HOFBOER BRESLAW

Saturday, April 6 at 2pm

One of the dwindling group of survivors alive today, Elisabeth was 12 years old when Hitler's troops marched into the Netherlands and 17 when the country was finally liberated. Now at 95 years old, Elisabeth is sharing how she turned from a frightened child into a tough teenager, ready to take dangerous chances to stay alive.

DEEP SPACE OBJECT ASTROPHOTOGRAPHY*

Wednesday, April 10 at 6pm

Join this **Zoom** program to learn how astronomers get those breathtaking images from the sky and learn how you might be able to do so yourself. We will discuss the different types of astrophotography, as well as demonstrate some of the image processing techniques used to get those amazing images!

ACTIVE DREAMING: EXPLORE YOUR DREAMS*

Saturday, April 13 at 10:30am

Join us for an experiential workshop on remembering, journaling and understanding dreams. Using dream solving tools like Dream Theater and Dream Re-entry, Adelita Chirino will lead the group in respectful and playful explorations of shared dreams.

TIPS TO OPTIMIZE BRAIN HEALTH WITH DR. WENDY HURWITZ

Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30pm

Did you know that there is growing scientific evidence that cognitive decline, Alzheimer's, and dementia may be prevented, reduced, or even reversed? Learn about simple and drug-free practices that may help combat cognitive decline and strategies to optimize brain health.

JOINT HEALTH WITH DR. ADAM DRIESMAN

Thursday, April 18 at 4pm

Doctor Driesman will discuss non-operative treatment measures to treat hip and knee pain, with a particular focus on medications that can be obtained at your local pharmacy without a prescription from a doctor's office.

LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH FILM: PART 2

Thursday, April 18 at 6:30pm

Jaime Flores, Assistant Director and Adjunct Professor at Quinnipiac University, will discuss how films can help us gain a broader awareness of people and issues in Latin American history.

3 FORAGERS: YOUR EDIBLE LANDSCAPE

Saturday, April 20 at 11am

Hunting for wild edible plants doesn't have to mean hiking in exotic locations far from home; many delicious and nutritious wild foods grow in your own backyard. Join The 3 Foragers as they reveal the fruits, nuts, flowers, and greens found right outside your back door.

EDISON AND THE ECLIPSE THAT ENLIGHTENED AMERICA WITH AUTHOR DAVID BARON*

Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30pm

On July 29, 1878, a total solar eclipse crossed Colorado and Wyoming. The astronomical event lured many of the era's great scientists to the western frontier because it offered a rare opportunity to solve longstanding riddles of the sun and solar system. Based on his five years of original research, author David Baron tells the tale of this influential event.

This program will take place via Zoom.

SCARY MOVIE NIGHT WITH MILFORD HORROR

Tuesday, April 30 at 6pm

This month's selection: *Night of the Eagle*
A film series of horror classics hosted by Adrian Elder of milfordhorror.com.

***Register at milfordlibrary.org**

ONLINE AUTHOR TALKS*

Smithsonian American Table: The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us with Paula J. Johnson

Tuesday, April 2 at 2pm

American Mother with Colum McCann and Diane Foley

Tuesday, April 9 at 2pm

Anita de Monte Laughs Last with Xochitl Gonzalez

Wednesday, April 17 at 8pm

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TUESDAY MOVIE MATINEE

April 2 at 2pm: *Next Goal Wins*
(PG-13, run time 1 hr, 37 min)

April 16 at 2pm: *Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom*
(PG-13, run time 2 hrs)

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS



ROMANCE: Thursday, April 11 at 10am
Yarned and Dangerous by Sadie Hartwell
Questions? Email cratzenberger@milfordct.gov

CLASSIC: Thursday, April 25 at 10am
The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
Questions? Email abbeynancy15@gmail.com

ARTISTS

Gallery: Milford Senior Center Art Class
Cases: Milford Senior Center Art Class
Windows: Crystal Beetham

PASSPORT

Tuesday: 4-8pm
Thursday: 10am-2pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm

By appointment only.

CHILDREN'S

203-783-3312

Email mplchildren@milfordct.gov

SPRING STORYTIME SESSION

Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 16 — May 23

Tuesdays at 10:15am: *Toddlers and Walkers* with a caregiver

Tuesdays at 11am: *Preschool Age* with a caregiver

Thursdays at 10:15am: *Babies and Crawlers* with a caregiver

Thursdays at 11am: *Toddlers and Walkers* with a caregiver

Join us for songs, fingerplays, and stories in a relaxed and friendly environment. Extra toys will be put out in the Children's Department for free play. *Tuesday's and Thursday's Toddlers and Walkers programs will be the same. Please attend one per week so there is space for other families to attend.*

SPRING PAINT EVENT WITH THE GIGGLING PIG*

Tuesday, April 2 at 11am

Ages 5-10. Children will receive step-by-step instruction from a Giggling Pig instructor on how to draw a whimsical spring painting, learning watercolor painting techniques along the way!

DRAMA WORKSHOP: THE TORTOISE AND THE HARE*

Wednesday, April 3 from 5:15-6:15pm

Ages 5-9. Ingrid Schaeffer, Chair of the Theatre Department at The Educational Center for the Arts, will return for a modern retelling of The Tortoise and the Hare! Come to the library to hear this classic fairy tale and then bring it to life by acting it out with costume pieces and props.

BRING THE HOOPLA*

Thursday, April 4 at 2:30pm

Grades K-5. Bring the Hoopla brings the fun back into fitness with their high energy, unique program where they use hula hoops as the main tool!

LEGO MAKERS

Tuesday, April 9 at 6-7pm

Grades K-5. Unleash your imagination using our collection of LEGOS®! Meet friends, build creatively, and share your creation!

LET'S GO ON A SAFARI!*

Tuesday, April 16 from 5:30-7pm

Ages 0-5. Enjoy an evening of exploration as families go on a safari throughout the library using play-based activities and stories connected to our theme. This is a partner event with the Milford Public Schools.

LET'S PRETEND!*

Wednesday, April 17 at 10:30am

Ages 4-5. Join Ingrid Schaeffer, Chair of the Theatre Department at The Educational Center for the Arts, for an improvisational, non-exhibition, process-centered form of drama in which participants are guided by a leader to imagine, enact, and reflect upon human experience.

FANS OF FICTION: CHARACTER GAME NIGHT*

Wednesday, April 17 at 6pm

Grades 2-5. Join us for our program series for readers, Fans of Fiction! This month, we'll be revisiting old favorites for a character mashup game night! Play Dogman Flip-o-Rama, Warriors Guess Who, and more. Meet other fans and have fun!

GOODNIGHT, LIBRARY

Thursday, April 18 at 6pm

Ages 5 and under. Visit the library for an evening family storytime and craft or sensory play before you turn in for the night.

LITTER AWARENESS: REDUCE YOUR USE!*

Saturday, April 20 at 11am

Grades K-5. Come join Litter Awareness to talk about single-use plastics and how we can help our environment heal by creating new habits, and making little changes that add up to big differences! We will get started right away by repurposing single-use plastics by making "Bottle Cap Necklaces."

CHILDREN'S CRAFTERNOON: FOAM CLAY FLOWER FRIENDS*

Wednesday, April 24 at 2:30pm

Grades 2-5. Join us on the early dismissal to create cute, creative, magnetic flower friends! Use foam clay to bring your creation to life and make the perfect gift for someone special this Mother's Day.

POKEMON MEET-UP*

Thursday, April 25 at 4pm

Grades K-5. Join us after school and come celebrate all things Pokémon! Bring your cards to show off to fellow fans, do a Pokémon-themed craft, or try a Pokémon board game.

STEM DESIGN CHALLENGE FOR YOUNG MINDS*

Thursday, April 25 from 6-8pm

Grades 2-8. Join the Milford Education Foundation for an exhilarating STEM adventure designed for students and their families. Engage in a hands-on design challenge and work in small teams to brainstorm, construct, and test your innovative solutions. Challenge hosted by Milford Robotics FRC Team 8085 MOJO.

***Register at milfordlibrary.org**

YOUNG ADULT

203-701-4554

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INTO THE WOODS DRAMA WORKSHOP*

Wednesday, April 3 from 6:30 -8pm

Grades 6-12. Do you love to perform? Join us for a Drama workshop with Ingrid Schaeffer. We will look at the famous musical "Into the Woods" by Stephen Sondheim that follows a group of fairy-tale characters as they venture into the woods to get their wish and learn the complications of what comes after happily-ever-after. We will begin with some theatre games and then work in small groups to stage a collection of short scene from this beautiful play.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

Thursday, April 4 & 18 from 6 -8pm

Grades 9-12. Are you interested in being a positive influence on your library while earning volunteer hours for school? Join our Teen Advisory Group! Members of TAG will help the YA librarian with programs, planning, displays, and more! New members are welcome, but you must fill out an application on the Young Adult page and submit prior to meeting!

YOUNG ADULT GAME NIGHT

Thursday, April 4 from 6:30 to 8pm

Grades 6-12. Relax in a casual environment with your peers and some fun board/card games! UNO, Sushi Go, Catan, Codenames, Fluxx, Exploding Kittens, Apples to Apples, Kids Against Maturity, Scrabble, and more!

CRASH COURSE PIZZA WORKSHOP*

Friday, April 5 from 2 -4pm

Grades 4-8. Join MY Productions in this two hour course where you will learn to make your own pizza pies from scratch! Bring an apron, it will be messy and delicious! Each participant will leave with their own pizza pie they created from scratch.

SPILL SOME INK*

Tuesday, April 9 & 23 from 3 -4:30pm

Ages 12-18. Join our Teen Writing Group - Spill Some Ink - where we will share writing prompts, activities, and exercises to get your creative energy surging! All types of writers are welcome, even artists! Registration is encouraged for new members.

YA CRAFTERNOON: BLACKOUT POETRY

Wednesday, April 17 from 3:30 -5pm

Grades 6-12. In honor of National Poetry Month, we will be joined by Milford's Poet Laureate Joan Kwon Glass. Using recycled discarded books, Sharpies, colored pencils, and crayons, we will create art and poetry by "blacking out" words on the page. Drop in or stay the whole time!

STRESS-LESS-FEST

Wednesday, April 24 from 2 -4pm

Grades 6-12. Join us for a monthly Stress-Less-Fest! This is for students in Grades 6-12 to enjoy alone or with their caregivers! Certified Therapy Mini-Horse Lollypop will join us with her handler Victoria. Therapy animals encourage feelings of wellbeing, reduce stress, and generally improve a person's physical or emotional Function. Milford Prevention Council will also join us with activities and information monthly to decompress. Drop in or stay the whole time!

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