

Milford Public Library

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

December 2023



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GENEALOGY CLASS

Monday, December 4 at 11am

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

MILFORD'S NATURAL RESOURCES: A PUBLIC FORUM WITH THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS*

Wednesday, December 6 at 10:30am—1pm

We want to hear from you! Join us for an exciting in-person public forum to gather information about important natural resource concerns in the community. This is your chance to shape federal and state natural resource assistance programs, including those offered by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), to better address local conservation needs. Convened by your local conservation district, local work group participants include farmers, forest and other landowners, town officials and staff, community leaders, Councils of Government, NRCS, other state and federal agencies and NGOs

AN EVENING OF HOLIDAY TUNES WITH COASTAL MIX

Tuesday, December 12 at 7pm

Coastal Mix is an a cappella, mixed voice chorus dedicated to bringing family-friendly entertainment to the community. Formerly known as "The Coastal Chordsmen," they are now a mixed-voice chorus, welcoming all singers regardless of gender. Officially the Bridgeport, CT chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society International, Coastal Mix has been entertaining audiences in Southern Connecticut and beyond for over 75 years.

YOUR SHOP @ ETSY

Wednesday, December 13 at 7pm

Milford Public Library is hosting a program about how you can open your own shop on Etsy's online marketplace. Learn how to stock your shop with your merchandise, how to integrate your shop with other online services such as Printify, and learn about what to expect from the costs of doing business.

EBOOKS & EAUDIO

Wednesday, December 27 at 7pm

Milford Public Library is presenting a program on eBooks, and eAudiobooks. Both the Libby and The Palace Project apps will be discussed. If you would like to learn more about how to use our eBooks and eAudiobooks, then this discussion is for you!

*Register at milfordlibrary.org

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

ROMANCE: Thursday, December 14 at 10am

Season of Wonder by RaeAnne Thyne

Questions? Email

cratzenberger@milfordct.gov

POP FICTION: Tuesday, December 19 at 7pm

Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson

Questions? Email cangeli@milfordct.gov

CLASSIC: Thursday, December 28 at 10am

Sir Gawain and the Green Knight

Questions? Email abbeynancy15@gmail.com



ONLINE AUTHOR TALKS*

Realm Breaker with Victoria Aveyard

Tuesday, December 5 at 7pm

Class: A Memoir of Motherhood, Hunger, and Higher Education with Stephanie Land

Tuesday, December 12 at 2pm

*Register at milfordlibrary.org

TUESDAY MOVIE MATINEE

December 5 at 2pm: *Die Hard*

(R, run time 2 hr, 12min)

December 19 at 2pm: *Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny*

(PG-13, run time 2 hr, 22min)

MAGAZINE GIVEAWAY

Begins Friday, December 1

Bring your own bag and take away our 2022 collection! Includes Adult and Children's magazines of various subjects. Visit our upper level, near the Circulation Department.

FOML HOLIDAY BOOK SALE

✨ **Saturday, December 2 from 10am—3pm**

✨ **Gift quality books for children and adults! All books \$2.**

CLOSURES

Monday, December 25

Monday, January 1

ARTISTS

Gallery and Cases: Milford Camera Club
Windows: Crystal Beetham

PASSPORT

Tuesday: 4-8pm

Thursday: 10am-2pm

Saturday: 10am-2pm

By appointment only.
Please call 203-783-3309.



CHILDREN'S

203-783-3312

Email mplchildren@milfordct.gov

FALL STORYTIME SESSION

Tuesdays and Thursdays, November 14—December 21

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. No registration is required. *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.



GINGERBREAD PLAYTIME*

Wednesday, December 6 at 10:30am

Ages 2-5. Join us for a magical morning of gingerbread themed play doh with all the trimmings, simple art activities, and a sweet story. *Play doh generously donated by The Giggling Pig Milford.*

BOOK BITES: COOKIE DECORATING*

Wednesday, December 6 at 2:30pm

Grades K-5. Cookies, frosting, and sprinkles ...oh my! Join us on the early dismissal to try your hand at some basic gingerbread and sugar cookie decorating. Stay for a story while you snack!

FULL STEAM AHEAD: THE POLAR EXPRESS*

Saturday, December 9 at 10:30am

Grades K-5. Tickets please! Bring your own cardboard box (large enough for your child to sit in) and design and decorate your own train box car! All supplies will be provided. After we finish, we'll serve up some hot chocolate and watch a sing-along clip from The Polar Express.

LEGO MAKERS

Tuesday, December 12 at 6-7pm

Grades K-3. Unleash your imagination using LEGOS®! We will free build, read stories, solve problems, share our creations, and most importantly...have fun!

MUSIC TOGETHER® SINGALONG*

Wednesday, December 13 at 10:15 and 11am

Ages 0-5. Music Together is the premier early childhood music program for babies, toddlers, and big kids, along with the grownups who love them. We'll have tons of fun singing, dancing, learning, and playing instruments.



FANS OF FICTION: PERCY JACKSON EDITION*

Wednesday, December 13 at 6pm

Grades 2-5. This month, we will be crafting our own Camp Half-Blood necklaces based on the Percy Jackson & the Olympians series by Rick Riordan. Never read the books? That's okay! Take inspiration from your favorite things to design your beads and create a necklace worthy of an Olympian!

COME LEARN ABOUT KWANZAA!*

Wednesday, December 20 at 7pm

Ages 8 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Join Jolyn Washington-Walker, founder/CEO of African Expressions by Jolyn, LLC, to learn about this African American celebration. Featuring music, dance, and The Seven Principles of Kwanzaa, this is an inter-generational and interactive presentation.

GOODNIGHT, LIBRARY

Thursday, December 21 at 6pm

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

WINTER PAINT NIGHT WITH THE GIGGLING PIG MILFORD*

Tuesday, December 26 at 6pm

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

FOOD EXPLORERS: HOT CHOCOLATE MOUSSE PIES*

Wednesday, December 27 at 3pm

Grades 2-5. Join Food Explorers for a festive cooking program! You'll be making Hot Chocolate Mousse Pies. You'll learn how to use the electric mixer to make a delicious hot chocolate mousse filling, homemade whipped cream, and assemble your very own mini pie pan. Recipe is nut free but will contain dairy and gluten.



DRAMA WORKSHOP: THE MITTEN*

Thursday, December 28.

Ages 4-6 from 2-2:50pm and Ages 7-10 from 3-4pm

Ingrid Schaeffer, Chair of the Theatre Department at The Educational Center for the Arts, will return for another fantastic drama workshop. Bring the story The Mitten by Jan Brett to life! Children will explore singing, acting, and movement to experience the magic and make-believe of the theater!

STEM PLAYTIME

Friday, December 29 from 2:30 -3:30pm

Join us at the library to build with Picasso Tiles, KEVA plants, LEGOS®, PLUS PLUS, and more!

*Register online at milfordlibrary.org

YOUNG ADULT

203-701-4554

Email dvalenzano@milfordct.gov



STRESS-LESS-FEST!

Wednesday, December 6 at 1:30-3:30 pm

Grades 6-12. Join us for a monthly Stress-Less -Fest! 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.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

Thursdays, December 7 & 21 from 6 to 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!

SPILL SOME INK*

Tuesday, December 12 & 26 from 3 to 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: WOOD SLICE ORNAMENTS

Wednesday, December 13 from 3:30 -5pm

Grades 6-12. Here come the holidays! Prepare a beautiful wood slice ornament for yourself or a friend/family member. Supplies will be available on a first come, first served basis.

WILDLIFE IN WINTER WITH THE WHITE MEMORIAL CONSERVATION CENTER

Thursday, December 21 from 6 -7pm

Grades 6-12. What strategies do wild animals use to get through winter? Join White Memorial Conservation Center as we feature live animals and interactive games to discuss how some animals in CT remain active in winter, while others hibernate, migrate, or go into torpor.

MARIOKART 8 TOURNAMENT*

Wednesday, December 27 from 2 -5pm

Grades 6-12. Join OneUp Games at the Library for an afternoon of MarioKart 8! We will run a Nintendo Switch MarioKart 8 Tournament from start to finish. The winner will earn bragging rights and their picture hung up in the Young Adult Department!

POLYMER CLAY: SNOWY OWLS*

Thursday, December 28 from 6-8pm

Grades 6-12. Craft intricate snowy owls with polymer clay expert Debbie Jaffe. In this workshop participants will learn the process of creating a realistic snowy owl with polymer clay.

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