

# Milford Public Library

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

September 2023



57 New Haven Avenue  
Milford, CT 06460  
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## GENEALOGY CLASS

**Monday, September 11 at 11am**

Discover your family tree! This month's meeting will be led by special guests Richard and Jane Platt.

## HISTORY OF THE YANKEES: A BASEBALL CELEBRATION PRESENTATION

**Tuesday, September 12 at 7pm**

Come celebrate one of the greatest franchises in American sports history with award-winning sportswriter and author of *The Ultimate New York Yankees Time Machine Book*, Marty Gitlin.

## THE BRIDGES OF THE MERRITT PARKWAY

**Wednesday, September 13 at 7pm**

Wes Haynes, executive director of The Merritt Parkway Conservancy, will discuss the Bridges of the Merritt Parkway through a tour of the historic highway's bridges, renowned for their distinctive and unusual architectural expressions.

## LAUGHED AT AND DESPISED BY ALL NATIONS: WHY DID WE NEED THE CONSTITUTION?

**Wednesday, September 20 at 7pm**

Capital Community College Professor, Hamish Lutris, will present an engaging and entertaining look at the background of the Constitution. This event is part of Milford Public Library's One City, One Story community read program.

\* Register at [milfordlibrary.org](http://milfordlibrary.org)

## THE ELDERLY BROTHERS: OLDIES ROCK 'N' ROLL OF THE 50'S AND 60'S

**Sunday, September 24 at 2pm**

Please join us as we welcome T-Bone Stankus (guitar) and Brian Gillie (keyboards), known together as "The Elderly Brothers", as they serve up mint-condition "oldies" rock 'n' roll with pitch-perfect harmonies.

## CLASSIC SCARY MOVIE NIGHT WITH MILFORD HORROR

**Tuesday, September 26 from 5:30-8pm**

September movie: *The Haunting* (1960). A fall film series of horror classics hosted by Adrian Elder of [milfordhorror.com](http://milfordhorror.com). Free popcorn and a lively Q&A to follow.

## TAX-EFFICIENT RETIREMENT CLASS\*

**Thursday, September 28 at 6:30pm**

This free event is designed for pre-retirees and retirees who are transitioning from accumulation to distribution of assets and have accumulated at least \$300,000 in tax-deferred assets.

## SOLAR ASTRONOMY PRESENTATION AND WALK

**Saturday, September 30 at 11am**

Families welcome. The Astronomical Society of New Haven will discuss how the Sun can be safely viewed during the upcoming solar eclipses. After the presentation, ASNH will host a solar system walk at Fowler's Walk. *The presentation is rain or shine, but the walk and activities are weather dependent.*

## ONLINE AUTHOR TALKS\*

*MY AMERICAN DREAM: A LIFE OF LOVE, FAMILY, AND FOOD* WITH LINDA BASTIANICH  
**Thursday, September 7 at 7pm**

*ANATOMY OF A BREAKTHROUGH: HOW TO GET UNSTUCK WHEN IT MATTERS MOST* WITH ADAM ALTER  
**Wednesday, September 20 at 2pm**

*THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY* WITH AMOR TOWLES  
**Wednesday, September 27 at 8pm**

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## TUESDAY MOVIE MATINEE

September 5 at 2pm: *Jerry and Marge Go Large*  
(PG-13, run time 1 hr, 36 min)

September 19 at 2pm: *Dead Poets Society*  
(PG, run time 2 hr, 8 min)

## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

**ROMANCE:** Thursday, September 14 at 10am  
*Bridget Jones's Diary* by Helen Fielding  
Questions? Email [cratzenberger@milfordct.gov](mailto:cratzenberger@milfordct.gov)

**POP FICTION:** Tuesday, September 19 at 7pm  
*The Gifted School* by Bruce Holsinger  
Questions? Email [cangeli@milfordct.gov](mailto:cangeli@milfordct.gov)

**CLASSIC:** Thursday, September 28 at 10am  
*Billy Budd, Sailor* by Herman Melville  
Questions? Email [abbeynancy15@gmail.com](mailto:abbeynancy15@gmail.com)

## CLOSURES

Saturday, September 2  
Monday, September 4

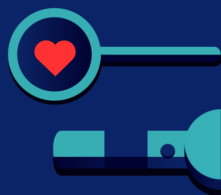
## ARTISTS

Gallery and Cases: Fairfield Fiber  
Windows: Crystal Beetham

## PASSPORT

Tuesday: 4-8pm | Saturday: 10am-2pm  
By appointment only. Please call 203-783-3309.

## PARTY IN THE STACKS



The annual fundraiser for the Friends of the Library, Party in the Stacks, *Where Mystery and Romance Meet*, takes place on Saturday, October 21, 7:00-10:00pm. This is a 21+ event featuring themed hors d'oeuvres, specialty cocktails, costumes (optional), dancing, raffles and more! Tickets can be purchased online or in person (cash/check only) at the library. Ticket prices are \$50.00 through September 30, \$60.00 beginning October 1.



# CHILDREN'S

203-783-3312

Email [mpclchildren@milfordct.gov](mailto:mpclchildren@milfordct.gov)



## FALL STORYTIME SESSION

**Tuesdays or Thursdays, September 19-October 26**

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

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

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

**Thursday at 11am – Toddlers and Walkers with a caregiver**

Join us for songs, fingerplays, and stories in a relaxed and friendly environment. Modeling Every Child Ready to Read's five practices—talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing—we strive to support early literacy and caregiver engagement. Extra toys will be put out in the Children's Department for free play. No registration is required.

## MUSIC TOGETHER® SINGALONG\*

**Wednesday, September 6 at 10:30am**

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. Wiggling, singing, and laughing with your child is so much fun—it's easy to forget how much learning is taking place! The Music Together research-based curriculum not only develops music skills, it nurtures creativity, self-expression, and confidence while also supporting social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development.

## BACK TO SCHOOL STORYCRAFT

**Wednesday, September 20 at 2:30pm**

Grades K-5. Back at school but not ready to give up summer? Us either! Join us on your half-day from school to read Beach Toys vs. School Supplies by Mike Ciccotello! It's a seaside showdown between summer-fun fanatics and back-to-school champions—who will come out on top? Join us to read the story, play with kinetic sand, and make an origami pencil holder craft!

## SOLAR ASTRONOMY PRESENTATION AND WALK

**Saturday, September 30**

**Presentation at 11 am. Walk and chalk activities at 11:30 am**

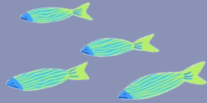
All ages. The Astronomical Society of New Haven will discuss how the Sun can be safely viewed during the upcoming solar eclipses. After the presentation, ASNH will host a scaled solar system walk at Fowler's Walk to demonstrate the vast distances involved in astronomy. There will be chalk shadow tracing activities on the walk. Telescopes will be available to view the Sun, and a limited number of solar glasses will be distributed to participants during the event. *The presentation is rain or shine, but the walk and activities are weather dependent.*

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# YOUNG ADULT

203-701-4554

Email [dvalenzano@milfordct.gov](mailto:dvalenzano@milfordct.gov)



## TEEN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

**Thursday, September 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, September 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! The Group will be a way for teens to share their work together in a safe space while learning about workshoping to get constructive ideas from peers to help them move forward with their writing. It is also a great way to make friends with similar interests! All types of writers are welcome, even artists! Registration is encouraged for new members.\*

## HANG OUT WITH CERTIFIED THERAPY MINI-HORSE, LOLLYPOP!

**Wednesday, September 13 from 3-5pm**

Grades 6-12. Meet your friendly and furry neigggh-bor, Lollypop! Lollypop is a 20 year old certified therapy mini-horse who lives right here in Milford! Along with her handlers, she will join us to help students in grades 6-12 destress – give Lollypop a brush, a pet, or a hug. Lollypop's handler/owner Victoria will also be telling us all about the process taken to train Lollypop as a certified therapy horse.

## DIGITAL SAFETY FOR PARENTS/ CAREGIVERS OF TWEENS & TEENS

**Thursday, September 14 from 6:30-7:30pm**

Geared for parents and caregivers of tweens and teens, members of the CyberPatriot Club at Albertus Magnus College will cover social media safety, cyber threats, your child's digital footprint, and how to encourage and maintain safe Internet use. This program is meant specifically for parents/caregivers of these ages. Older teens 13+ may attend with their parents/caregivers, but parental discretion is advised as there will be some sensitive subject matter.

## WHY CHOOSE A COMMUNITY COLLEGE?\*

**Thursday, September 21 from 7-8pm**

Grades 9-12 and their caregivers. Each fall, high school college bound students begin their quest to find the perfect college to meet their dreams, needs and affordability. They search high and low, from far and near and yet the college search process leaves many dizzy, confused, and exhausted. Maybe there is more than just keeping up with "The Joneses" while hunting for a college solution? Dare to be different and join Bernard Shea, Outreach and Recruitment Specialist, for CT STATE Community College/ Gateway CC, and learn how a community college might ease your student's college search burden.

## YA WEDNESDAY CRAFTERNOON: COOKIES & COLORING

**Wednesday, September 27 from 3:30-5pm**

Grades 6-12. We are bringing it back to our roots with a cookies and coloring party! Join us as we relax, hang out, eat some cookies & color!

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# ONE CITY, ONE STORY



The 2023 selection, for all ages, is the **U.S. Constitution**.

Throughout the year, the library has been hosting lectures and discussions to help us all become better informed citizens. Please check our monthly program calendar for the most up to date listing of events. Copies of the U.S. Constitution will be provided, free of charge, beginning in September (while supplies last).

*This program is generously funded by the Gale Gokey Brown Series on Civic Engagement.*