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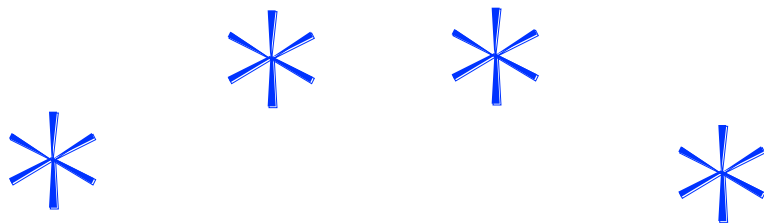
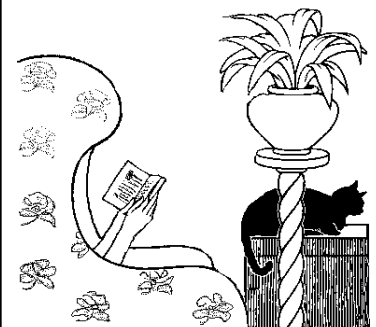
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The Ledyard Libraries support and encourage the freedom to read, learn and discover in a welcoming environment. We provide friendly, knowledgeable service and free access to a diversity of ideas, resources and experiences. We strive to enhance the quality of life in our community, encourage lifelong learning and the love of reading.

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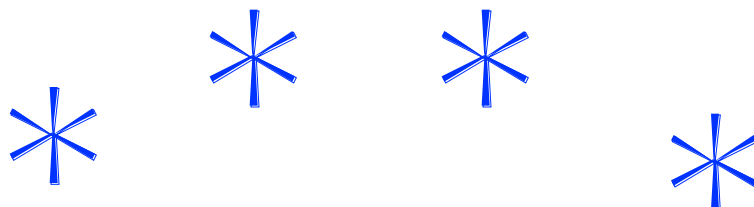
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Warm Up to a Good Book Winter Reading Program

Every summer the library sponsors a popular reading program for children. Well now the adults can have a turn. The Ledyard Libraries want to fill those long quiet days this winter with a fun reading program for adults. Starting on January 22, you can register at either library and receive a reading folder. All you have to do is check out lots of books and start reading. For each book read during the program, fill out a coupon in the folder and return it to the raffle jar at either library. Raffle drawings will be held each Saturday for six weeks. There will be fun and interesting prizes and surprises until the program is completed on March 9.

Look inside for more winter escapes with a series of exciting programs from antiques to cooking by the talented library staff.



Children's Programs

I know you are working hard to prepare for the holidays coming up so quickly, but please take a minute to look through the Storytime schedule and write the registration date on your 2002 calendar. **Call-in** registration will be Monday, Jan. 7th starting at 9:30 am, at the library where the program is being offered. Call 464-9912 for Bill Library programs, and 464-6943 for Gales Ferry programs. All programs are free and open to Ledyard / Gales Ferry residents first and then to the general public. **Please register for all programs.**

STORYTIMES

Infant (6 - 14 mos.) GF Tues. 9:30
Jan 15- Feb 12

Toddler (15 - 24 mos.) Bill Wed. 9:30
Jan 16 - Feb 13

Terrific Twos

GF Tues 9:30 Mar 5- Apr. 30
(No S.T. 3/19, 4/16)

Bill Wed. 9:30 Mar 6 - May 1
(No S.T. 3/20, 4/17)

Threes

Bill Mon. 9:30 Feb 4 - May 6
(No S.T. 2/18, 3/18, 4/15)

GF Tues. 10:30 Feb 5- May 7
(No S.T. 2/19, 3/19, 4/16)

FOURS AND FIVES

GF Tues 1:00 Feb 5 - May 7
(No S.T. 2/19, 3/19, 4/16)

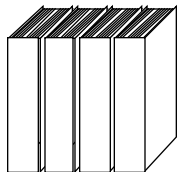
Bill Thur. 9:30 Feb 7 - May 2
(No S.T. 3/21, 4/18)

FEBRUARY VACATION PROGRAMS

Tues Feb. 19 **Multicultural Storyteller**
Watch for further details

Adult Programs

Book Discussions



Evening book discussions will return to their previous format starting in January. To kick off our Winter Reading Program, January's meeting will be a chance for everyone to present and discuss the "best" books they've

read recently or their favorite Christmas gift book. Suggestions of possible book titles for future discussions will be requested and voted on. Then watch for signs at the Circulation Desk of both libraries for books selected for future meetings. Meetings are usually held the third Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Bill Branch Community Room. New participants are always welcome and evening refreshments are abundant.

January 23 : Open discussion of the best book you've read.

February 20: To be determined

March 20: To be determined

Winter Escapes to the Library

January 29, Tuesday 7:00 P.M. GF
Author discussion of Anita Shreve (books available at libraries) Snow Date: Feb. 5th.

February 6, Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Bill
*Journaling** Learn to preserve valuable memories through journal keeping
Snow Date: Feb. 7th.

February 12, Tuesday 7:00 P.M. GF
*Craft Program** - Craft to be determined
Snow Date: Feb. 26th.

February 17, Sunday 2:00 P.M. Bill
*Cooking through the ages** Trace modern recipes back to their medieval origins.
Samples will be available.
Snow Date: March 3rd.

March 2, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Bill
*Antique Appraisals** Bring an item or a picture for a verbal appraisal
Snow Date: March 16, Saturday

March 4, Monday 9:15-11:15 A.M. GF
Book Café Browse our mini booksale while you sip coffee/tea.
Snow Date: March 11th.

Further information on the programs will be available at the libraries. Call to register for the programs at the library where they are being held after January 22.

*Registration Required

Computer Workshops

Internet and iCONN workshops will be offered upon request. If you are interested in learning more about getting on the Internet or how to use iCONN let us know. We will be happy to schedule a training session for you.



Genealogy workshop

March 17, Sun. 2:30 - 4:00 Bill Library
Once again Bill Library and the Faith Trumbull Chapter of DAR will co-sponsor a genealogy workshop. Register early by calling the library at 464-9912, as space is limited.

From the Reference Desk

New editions of some great reference books have recently been added to the Ledyard Libraries collection. Some of these books are just pure fun to peruse!

Chase's Calendar of Events 2002 provides information on historical events and anniversaries, festivals throughout the world, celebrity birthdays, and US events with telephone numbers and web addresses for more information.

The World Almanac 2002 has so much information, it should be as common as a dictionary. Each year it becomes a New York Times Best Seller. In addition to statistics, this book has a chronology of events for the year 2001, MVPs for Basketball and Baseball, as well as maps and flags of the world. It's the best source there is for trivia answers!

The Complete Guide to Prescription and Nonprescription Drugs 2002 and *The Consumer Reports Complete Drug Reference 2001*. These two books are probably the most used reference books in our library. In addition to carrying the pharmaceutical flyer information on

thousands of drugs, they both have formats which are easy on the eyes.

The United States Government Manual 2001-2002. If you are looking for the right name of the right person in that obscure government agency or commission, then this is the book. Addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are included too.

Mistletoe Craft and Bake Sale



The Mistletoe Craft and Bake Sale and Silent Auction was a wonderful success! We raised over \$5,800 for the Bill Library Building Addition, and about 400 people came to the sale. Words cannot adequately thank all of you who donated your

services, crafts, baked goods and time to this event. As Chairman, I was impressed with the talent exhibited, so, while you relax during the winter months, keep next year's Craft and Bake Sale in mind. I am looking forward to working with the Ledyard Libraries community again next year for this event.

Andrea Buka

Rotary Club Birthday Books

The Groton/Ledyard Rotary Club recently presented the libraries with a check for \$450 to purchase a book in honor of each Ledyard member's birthday. Some members specified a title or subject and others left it to the library to choose. Each book will have a bookplate listing the Rotarian's name and birthday.



Museum Passes at the Library

Have you checked out a museum pass from the library lately? If not, you probably don't know that a new one is now available. A pass for the Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme, admits two adults and two children for free. The pass is not valid during the month of December. It is available at both libraries.

Other passes at the Ledyard Libraries:

Mystic Aquarium - Bill and Gales Ferry (reduced admission, not valid July and August)

Peabody Museum, New Haven Bill and Gales Ferry (4 people free)

Children's Museum, East Lyme Bill (4 people free)

Wadsworth Athenaeum, Hartford Bill (2 adults, 2 children free)

Roger Williams Zoo, Providence Bill through 2001; Gales Ferry for 2002 (reduced admission)

Science Center of Eastern Connecticut, New London - Bill (Reduced admission)

Giving Tree



We want to thank everyone for their generous donations of books and money this year. As this issue goes to press, there are 144 children signed up for the toy drive. Each of these children will receive a new book that their parent or guardian will

choose from a selection of books. These books have been chosen by our patrons or Nancy Brewer, our Children's Librarian. Every book will have a bookmark inside wishing the child Happy Holidays from Friends of the Ledyard Libraries.

Our list of generous donors:

Sue Allard	Veronica Anklam
Nancy Avery	Jessie Baker
Janet Barnett	Patrice Truss Barina
Marilyn Baseler	Alicia Bensko
Cynthia Blomstedt	Gale Bradbury
Nancy Brewer	Lisa Briere
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Viola Leonard	Joan Lynch
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Karen Moorehead	Rebecca Morea
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Janice Parker	Janet Parks
Nicole Parks	Ryan Parks
Tara Pealer	Beth Pedgett
Beth Petersen	Jennifer Pietras
Mary Phillips	Valerie Phillips
Basil Plosonetti	Jonah Roberts
Megan Roberts	Alexandra Rodrigues
John Rodrigues	Kelly Rodrigues
Charlotte Sanford	Sandy Seaton
Ellen Seeman	Elizabeth Shafer
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Kellen Strader	Seth Strader
Nancy Strawderman	Helen Sweet
Emma Swirlbliss	Joyce Tamer
Gillian Thorne	Patricia Tessier
Sharon Treaster	Deborah Vessels
Jennifer von Klar	Dylan Vorbach
Mary Frances Vorbach	Diana Wall
Sue Warren	Katherine Welles
Alice Wester	Ellen Young

Thank you also to those who chose to give anonymously.

SUGGESTION BOX

The following suggestions were recently found in the suggestion box.

1. Need more books on Cleopatra VII
Answer: We will try to get some.
2. Should be able to take two computer games out, not one.
Answer: We have a limited selection of computer software to check out. To be fair to all we limit the number to be checked out to one at a time.
3. Kids should be able to check out some books if they forgot their card.
Answer: While we would prefer that you have your library card with you, we will allow you to check items out without it.
4. The Young Adult Section [Bill Library] is very crowded. It is almost impossible to get books in or out.
Answer: We are aware of the overcrowded areas in the library. The Young Adult area is one of the areas targeted for expansion with the library addition.

Thank you for the suggestions!

Display Case

The library display case is available to display your favorite collection or hobby . If you have something you would like to share we will be happy to book the display case for you. For more information call Marty Hubbard at Bill Library . January will feature a display from Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

January: Guiding Eyes for the Blind. Millie Burke, a Ledyard resident and puppy raiser, has put together several items which explain the mission of GEB. We work to provide guide dogs, free of charge, to the visually impaired. GEB is



actively seeking volunteers to become puppy raisers (foster families) to teach the Labrador retrievers basic commands and “good manners”. If you have ever considered opening your heart and home to a dog that could change someone else's life-- take a peek at this colorful display. Any questions phone: Jean Scialabba, 536-4728.

Library Staff highlight

I'm sure most of you know the Children's Librarian, Nancy Brewer, loves to tell stories. But did you know she once worked as an Obstetric Tech during college and helped the doctor with instruments when delivering babies?

Nancy grew up in Minnesota, graduated from high school in Duluth and attended college in Winona. She has lived in Ledyard 18 years and in this area of Connecticut for 26 years. She's married and has two grown children, two cats, (Oscar and Emmet) and one dog (Maggie).

Nancy has worked at the Ledyard Libraries for 13 years. One year at the circulation desk and 12 years as the Children's Librarian. Her job keeps her busy with story times, ordering children's books, planning and implementing the summer reading programs, outreach to area day cares and nursery schools, liaison with the schools, plus reader's advisory and reference for children. What she loves most about her job is the interaction with children and getting them excited about books.

Most librarians love to read and Nancy is no exception. She enjoys reading all children's books, historical fiction and just about anything British. Her favorite authors are Diana Gabaldon, M.M. Kaye, Jerry Jenkins, John Marsden and Joan Bauer.

Nancy also enjoys her church activities, walking on the beach and quilting (when she has time!)



Book Preview

Looking for a good book to read?
The following new titles are due out soon.

Auchincloss, Louis	Theodore Roosevelt	Jan
Bradford, Barbara	Three Weeks in Taylor Paris	Jan
Cookson, Catherine	Silent Lady	Jan
Douglas, Kirk	My Stroke of Luck	Jan
Kennedy, William	Roscoe	Jan
Krentz, Jayne Ann	Smoke in Mirrors	Jan
McCaffrey, Anne	Acorna's Search	Jan
Oates, Joyce Carol	Beasts	Jan
Pilcher, Robin	Starting Over	Jan
Pronzini, Bill	Bleeders	Jan
Beattie, Ann	The Doctor's House	Feb
Clancy, Tom	Shadow Warriors: Inside the Special Forces	Feb
Garrison, Paul	Buried at Sea	Feb
Goldsmith, Olivia	Pen Pals	Feb
Grisham, John	The Summons	Feb
Leonard, Elmore	Tishomingo Blues	Feb
Rice, Luanne	Safe Harbor	Feb
Steel, Danielle	The Cottage	Feb
Brown, Rita Mae	Catch as Catch Can	Mar
Coonts, Stephen	Saucer	Mar
King, Stephen	From a Buick 8	Mar
LeGuin, Ursula	The Birthday of the World & Other Stories	Mar
Parker, Robert	Widow's Walk: A spenser Novel	Mar
Patterson, James	2nd Chance	Mar
Perry, Ann	Southampton Row	Mar
Weil, Andrew	The Healthy Kitchen	Mar

Building Committee News

The library building project has been delayed due to other capital needs in the town. The Building Committee requested permission to apply for a Community Development Block Grant last September which potentially would have given us \$500,000 to cover the costs associated with making the building handicapped accessible. That request was turned down by the Town Council who felt there

were other projects that needed to move forward before the library. The Building Committee will continue its efforts and look for additional sources of funding.

We wish to thank all of you who supported the Craft and Bake Sale and Silent Auction either with donations of items to sell or by attending the event.

The next fund raising activity will take place in February with the 2nd annual "Love Your Library" campaign. For \$1 the library will put up a red heart with your name on it. All donations will benefit the building fund. These funds are held separately from town funds by the Bill Library Association.

Holiday Hours

Sun.	Dec. 23	Closed
Mon.	Dec. 24 Christmas Eve	Closed
Tues.	Dec. 25 Christmas	Closed
Mon.	Dec. 31 New Year's Eve	Closed
Tues.	Jan. 1 New Year's Day	Closed
Mon	Jan. 21 Martin Luther King	Closed
Mon	Feb. 18 Presidents Day	Closed

Friends News

The September book sale at the Bill Library was a huge success! The Ledyard Library Friends made \$6500 and thousands of donated books found new homes. This was only accomplished because of our many dedicated volunteers.

Our thanks to to: BSA Troop #16, Susan Davis, Cay Haffey, Dora Lunde, Mary McGrattan, Martha Corey, Bill LaFleur, Bette Schissler, Sally Garcia, Roberta Lawrence, Andrea Buka, Karen Carey, Mary Juber, Claire Murphy, Linda DeRose, Nancy Avery, Pam Kalinoski, Sandra McCourt, Gloria Gancarz, Bernadette Kunkemoeller, Darlene

McNaughton, Laverne Stokes, Karen Davies, Doug Davies, Mary Ellen Osborne, Kathy Drury, Callie Tuthill, Janet Coe, Swatie Dalvie, Darwin Reed, Ruth Ellen Gallup.

Many thanks also go to the entire library staff for their support and encouragement.

We are looking forward to the 2002 sale. Donations of books, magazines, CD's, tapes, games, and puzzles can be dropped off at the Bill Library.

Thank you
Jean Scialabba
Marie Olson
September Book Sale Co-Chair



*Happy Holidays,
From
The Ledyard Libraries,
Staff!*



LIBRARY HOURS

BILL

464-9912

Mon - Thurs 9-9

Fri - Sat 9-5

Sunday 1-5

e-mail:

bill-lib@ledyard.lioninc.org

GALES FERRY

464-6943

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Fri - Sat 9-5

Sunday 1-5

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