

Beyond the Bookends



The Library will be
CLOSED
for maintenance on
January 8-10, 2018.

No library materials will be due back on those days.
NO book donations accepted Jan. 5th thru 10th



Soaring Over the Last Green Valley: The Return of Bald Eagles

Thursday, Jan. 4 6:30 – 8:00 PM

With abundant rivers, lakes and ponds The Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor has perfect habitat for bald eagles — our national symbol. Over the past decade eagles have been returning to the region and nesting along our rivers and lakes. This program, presented by Bill Reid, Chief Ranger, tells the history of bald eagles in the country and describes the unique characteristics of these amazing birds. Information will be provided on TLGV's role assisting the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to monitor bald eagle nests and statewide midwinter eagle survey.

Meet and Greet Our Local Immigrants

Presenter: Maryam Pardakhti

Saturday, Jan. 13 2:00PM

Library Program Room

Cultivating our heart seeds for a successful life

Hurdling over many difficulties, Maryam is building a successful life for herself as an Iranian woman. Talented, educated, a powerhouse of a woman full of joy, she believes it does not matter where we come from. We all have to harvest that seed of love and perseverance, which is inside each one of our hearts, helping us, move forward despite tough times. Come meet Maryam and hear about her experience growing up as a woman in Iran. Maryam cultivated her heart seed through a loving family, the eyes of her mother and her uncle's real world experience. .

Understanding Your Best Friend!

Presented by Phil Klein, Certified Dog Listener

Saturday, Jan. 20 2:00 PM

Snowdate: Saturday, Feb. 10 2:00 PM

Gain a much better understanding of your dog and its challenging behaviors in a session led by Phil Klein, Certified Dog Listener. Learn how canines see the human world, communicate, and the importance of eye contact and movement. Gain an understanding of the underlying reasons for your dog's behaviors and learn the simple, dog-friendly changes in how to interact with your dog to transform its behavior in a kind and lasting way.

Bring your questions, but not your dogs for an informative, fun session!

January 2018

The Library will be
CLOSED
Monday, Jan. 1, for the
New Year's Holiday



Mansfield Public Library Book Discussion Group

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month
at 6:45 PM

February 13: Join us to discuss
The Left hand of Darkness by
Ursula Le Guin

Meditation and Yoga Taught by Blanche Johnson Wednesdays, 10 – 11:30 AM Starts January 17, 2017 Mansfield Public Library Buchanan Auditorium

Mansfield Public Library will once again offer a free meditation and yoga course in the Buchanan Auditorium, thanks to the generosity of community member and library patron Blanche Johnson. **Specific dates of the class are as follows: January 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 7, 21, 28, April 4, 25, May 2, 16, 30 and June 6.** The course is developed to support those interested to establish and/or deepen their meditation and yoga practice and knowledge. The course will go beyond the familiar physical postures (asanas), and will offer instructions also in mudras, bandhas, pranayama, mantra meditation, yogic diet, kriyas, and yogic life style. Come and develop your own yoga practice, and enjoy a happier, healthier life. Blanche Johnson is a yoga teacher with over 20 years of yoga practice in the tradition of Patanjali. For additional information please contact Peggy @ mccarthyml@mansfieldct.org



Children's Storytimes and Play Groups

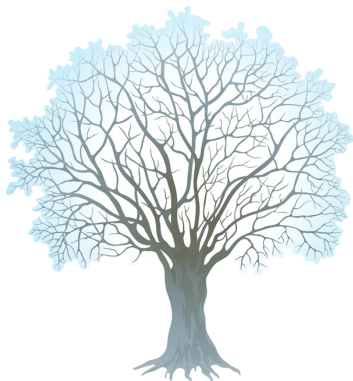
All activities are free and open to the public. No registration required.



Toddler Time: 10:15-11:30 AM Stories, songs and playtime for children ages birth to 3 with a care giver. The dates for this month are: Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26.

Wonderful Wednesdays: 10:30-11:30 AM Stories, songs and simple crafts for young children with a caregiver. The dates for this month are: Jan. 24, 31

Family Story Time: 10:30-11:30 AM Stories, songs and simple crafts for young children with a caregiver. The dates for this month are Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27.



After School Crafts: Winter Trees

Thursday January 25
4:00-5:30 PM

Drop in after school for some fun with arts and crafts inspired by the season. We'll read the book *Winter Trees* by Carole Gerber, and then use a variety of materials to make winter tree pictures. You can use different drawing materials, paint and collage materials to create your winter landscape.

We'll have some examples on hand, but you may come up with your own ideas.

**Coming in February
Children's Programs**

Valentine Crafts for Kids, Come play with blocks and board games. Phoenix Performing Arts Chinese Dance

Programs for Adults

**Meet and Greet Our Local Immigrants
Meet Someone New...Let's Learn About You!
Reviving 5000 Years of Chinese Civilization**

**In A Lonely Place
Film Screening & Discussion
Thursday, Jan. 11 5 - 7:00
Program Room**

We will be watching Nicholas Ray's "In A Lonely Place" from 1950 starring Humphrey Bogart as a troubled screenwriter suspected of murder, and Gloria Grahame as a neighbor who falls under his spell.

Please note: we are going to move the start time and location to 5pm in the Library's Program Room.



Board Game Night at the Library Express Tuesday, Jan. 16 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Enjoy board games in a fun and relaxed setting. Bring your own games or play one of ours. Teens (accompanied by an adult) and adults welcome.

**2 hours free parking
available in the garage.**

**For more information
contact Sean at:
KelerSG@mansfieldct.org.**

Drop-In Knitting Group 2nd Thursday of Every Month Thursday, January 11 2 - 4 PM

Do you want to learn (or re-learn) to knit? Come join us for an afternoon of social knitting at the library. Bring your projects, your ideas, and your questions. We welcome: knitting, crocheting, embroidery – you name it! All skill levels welcome; no need to register.

**Coming in the last week of
February**

The library will be showing a different movie nominated for this year's Oscars Monday through Friday at 2 pm.

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Monday: 10-5 Tuesday: 10-8 Wednesday: 10-5 Thursday: 10-8 Friday: 9-5 Saturday: 9-5 Sunday: Closed

