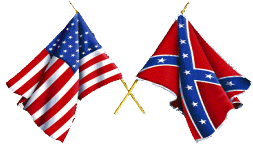


# Beyond the Bookends

March 2016



## **For the Sake of the Country: Female Spies in the Civil War** Presented by Matthew Bartlett Thursday, March 17 at 6:30 PM

American military historian Matthew Bartlett, dressed in period costume as a Pinkerton agent and his wife Jenn, in costume as a spy, present this fascinating program on female spies during the Civil War. One of the most important roles women played during the war was as spies. Learn how women risked their lives and changed the course of the war. Mr. Bartlett has written an 18-volume series about Gettysburg and holds a Master's degree in Military History from the American Military University. He specializes in Civil War studies.

He and his wife live in Connecticut.

## **25 Ways to Train Your Brain For Enhanced Memory and Top Performance**

Presented by Jo Anne Harrison-Becker  
Wednesday, March 23, 1 PM

There is a lot of emphasis these days on staying physically healthy, but we should be just as concerned for our mental well-being and memory. In order to stay sharp, it is vitally important to exercise our brain. The less we use our minds, the duller they become. Our brains continue to expand and adapt to the stimuli they receive throughout our lives. The more we nurture our brains, the better thinkers we become and the more we can preserve our memory.

## **This one-hour Seminar will teach participants 25 ways to develop a training regimen for your brain!**

*Ms. Harrison Becker has an MS in Gerontology and is the founder and CEO of Therapeutic Recreation Services.*

*A packet of handouts will be provided.*

## **Tool Library Coming Soon**

We are assembling a collection of hand tools and garden tools that you can borrow with your library card! The tool lending will begin in May. Stay tuned for details or visit our

Facebook page to watch our progress.  
Interested in making a tool donation?

Email Adam at [De-lauraAS@MansfieldCT.org](mailto:De-lauraAS@MansfieldCT.org).



## **Cake Pans Too!**

We are assembling a collection of cake pans for you to borrow, with many interesting shapes and sizes— coming soon!

## **Open Mansfield Demo**

### **How are my tax dollars spent??**

Join us for a brief demo of Mansfield's new financial transparency portal Open Mansfield and learn how to find the answer to this question and more!

**This event is at the  
Mansfield Senior Center  
303 Maple Rd, Storrs**



## **Gardening Basics and CSAs**

Presented by Diane Dorfer

**Cobblestone Farm**

**March 29th , 6:30 PM**

**Program Room**

Thinking about starting a garden or interested in being a part of CSA?

Come learn about site selection, soil prep, starting seeds and transplanting. Plant some seeds for you to take home to start your garden. Ever hear of Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)? Come learn the specifics about them and the CSA's available in this community and what they offer.



## **Mansfield Public Library Book Discussion Group**

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM. No registration needed.

## **Potluck Supper**

**March 8, 6-8PM**

Interested in joining a book discussion group? Now is the perfect time! We will be choosing books to read for the coming year at our potluck supper.  
*All are welcome! Bring a friend !*



## Children's Storytimes and Play Groups

All Story Time programs begin at 10:30 AM. *All activities are free and open to the public.*



**Wonderful Wednesdays:** Wednesdays 10:30-11:30

Stories and activities for Preschool children.  
The dates for this month are Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

**Toddler Time:** Fridays 10:30-Noon

The dates for this month are Mar. 4, 11, 18.

**Family Story Time:** Our weekly all-ages story time Saturdays 10:30-11:30.

The dates for this month are Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26.



### Children's Programs

#### After School Fun: A Spectrum of Rainbow Crafts

**Thursday, March 10 , 4-5:30 PM**

There are so many ways to make a rainbow!  
Drop in after school for a variety of rainbow crafts.  
All ages welcome.



#### Blocks and Board Games

**Thursday, March 24 , 1-3:00 PM**

Spend some time at the Library on this day off from school and enjoy a variety of board games and building toys. Play favorites such as Monopoly, Chutes and Ladders and even Twister! Build something with Legos or Tinkers Toys, play with the marble drop game or try Suspend, a balancing game.



Lots of choices for everyone; all ages welcome.

#### Coming in April

#### Friends Book Sale- April 2 & 3

The Friends have lots of interesting books at great prices!

You may discover that book you've been searching for...

The Friends of the Mansfield Library are a vital part of our library family. The dedicated members of the Friends group work to raise money at book sales that allow our library to purchase items that otherwise wouldn't be possible. You get a bargain, everyone benefits.



#### Parent/Tween Crafting: Fun with Felt!

**April 23rd , 1-3pm**

Learn some simple techniques for making beautiful felt accessories and decorations. Once you know the techniques for using this versatile material, the only limit is your imagination! Please note- this program is intended for a tween and accompanying adult.

**There is a 10 pair (adult/tween) maximum for this class, so don't forget to sign up between April 1st. and 16th.**

### Tax Forms

The IRS has drastically reduced the forms that libraries can get.

They are sending 1040, 1040A Forms and instructions and little else.

You can get copies of all forms and instructions free through the mail by calling

**1-800-TAX-FORM**

**(1-800-829-3676)**

or going to

[www.irs.gov/uac/Forms-and-Publications-by-U.S.-Mail](http://www.irs.gov/uac/Forms-and-Publications-by-U.S.-Mail)

Your order should arrive within 10 business days. If a product is not available when you place your order, the IRS will send it as soon as it becomes available.

You can also view, download, and print them online by

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