



Beyond the Bookends



May 2018

WWI Centennial Program
Remembering the Forgotten Great War:
How World War I Changed the
United States and the World
 Presented by Mike Limberg
 Thursday May 17, 6:30 PM
 Library Program Room



The library will be closed on Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

Mansfield Film Discussion
 Thursday, May 3, 5 PM

On Thursday May 3rd we will be watching Paul Thomas Anderson's **Phantom Thread** which was nominated for 6 Oscars at this year's Academy Awards. The film is set in 1950's London where Reynolds Woodcock (Daniel Day-Lewis) is a renowned dressmaker whose fastidious life is disrupted by a young, strong-willed woman, Alma, who becomes his muse and lover. This film is rated R for Language, and has a running time of 2h 10m

Reel to Real
 Monday, May 7, 1 PM
 Library Program Room

In the coming months, we will use the word compassion as a criterion for film discussion. Does the film portray compassion? How? When? When does it fail to act compassionately? Should it? What are some examples of compassion from the daily news? Or are some of today's films trying to teach us by deliberately not featuring compassion?

Mansfield Public Library
Book Discussion Group

2nd Tuesday of each month from
 6:45 - 8 PM.

Tuesday, May 8: Join us to discuss
Loving vs. Virginia
 by Patricia Hruby Powell

June 12 selection- *News of the World*
 by Paulette Jiles

Drop-In Knitting Group

2nd Thursday of each month
 Thursday, May 11, 2 - 4 PM

Come join us for an afternoon of social knitting at the library. Bring your projects, your ideas, and your questions. All portable textile crafts are welcome: knitting, crocheting, embroidery – you name it. All skill levels are welcome, from raw beginner to accomplished craftspeople.

One hundred years ago World War I changed how Americans worked, lived, and saw the world. However, after the war ended, Americans found many of the changes that came about uncomfortable and today, World War II overshadows World War I in Americans' memory. Our understanding of the challenges the United States faced at home and around the world during World War I is essential to our understanding of the modern debates about the makeup and global role of the United States today. Join us as we explore how these events shaped our history and the current position of the United States in the global arena. Michael Limberg is a historian specializing in the history of US Foreign Policy. He recently completed his PhD in History at the University of Connecticut, where he currently serves as a Lecturer.

Library's Annual Plant Swap
 Saturday, May 26, 3 PM
 Buchanan Auditorium



It's that time of year again! Come meet other gardeners, share information and swap plants! To participate, bring in one plant or many, a perennial, annual, shrub or vegetable in a container you are willing to give away. Please label your plants as best you can—name, light and soil requirements, and any unique characteristics they may have. Each plant you bring gives you the opportunity to exchange it for something new. You can also bring in freshly dug plants from the garden. This program is free and open to the public. For more information contact McCarthyML@mansfieldct.org

QC Quiet Corner Reads
 reads A collaboration of
 Northeast CT Libraries

Meet the Author!
 Marie Benedict will discuss this year's book
The Other Einstein

Wednesday, June 20, 7PM
 Mansion at Bald Hill
 29 Plaine Hill Rd
 Woodstock, CT 06281
 Tickets \$15 at the library.

Light refreshments and a cash bar will be provided.

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 from birth to three with a caregiver.

The dates for this month are: May, 4, 11, 18, 25.

Wonderful Wednesdays: 10:30 - 11:30AM Stories, songs, and simple crafts for young children with a caregiver.

The dates for this month are: May 2, 9, 16.

Family Storytime: 10:30 - 11:30AM Stories, songs, and simple crafts for young children with a caregiver. The dates for this month are: May 5, 12, 19, 26.



Come Make a Fairy House in the Woods!

Saturday, May 26, 10 - 2 PM



Come build a Fairy House in the Bradley-Buchanan Woods behind the Library. Bring any natural materials to build your own fairy house on the trail. We will have some supplies on hand to help you get started. Houses will remain in place until June 16 so you can come and visit, and check for resident fairies.

This program is sponsored by the library and Joshua's Trust.

Children's Garden News

Spring arrived late this year, but we have finally started planting in our Children's Garden. Our peas are in, and the garlic and strawberries we planted last year are growing. As the weather warms we are looking forward to planting beans, cherry tomatoes, cucumbers, squash and more. We also plan to plant marigolds and have added an arch for climbing flowers. We hope our garden will be both colorful and delicious!



Board Game Night

at the Library Express!

Tuesday, May 15, 6 - 9 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. Free program.

Remember! You get 2 hours free parking in the garage.

Ten Foods to Incorporate into Your Diet

Mansfield Library Express

Wednesday, May 23, 6- 8 PM

We're all trying to eat healthier, to lose weight, to have more energy. There are specific dietary strategies that you can use to be well. Would you like to know some SPECIFIC foods that are delicious and will help you to feel better? Join Fran Storch, N.D., naturopathic physician, for a lively discussion of ten foods that can put YOU on your way to being your best self!

Courtesy Renewals and Placing Holds—A Primer

Mansfield Library staff are always thinking of ways to improve your library experience and make the process of checking out materials as convenient as possible. Remembering to renew books, music or movies to avoid late fees can be a hassle, which is why we are pleased with the success of our new Courtesy Renewal service.

With Courtesy Renewal, when eligible checked-out materials reach four days before their due date, they will be automatically renewed. This means no more last-minute logging in to your library account or frantic trips to the library to renew materials on time.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER:

If you are interested in particular item, **it is important to place a hold on it.** Otherwise it will be renewed for the person who already has it. This also lets us know which items are in demand.

Mansfield items will fill holds first for Mansfield residents. They don't go out of town until everyone in Mansfield who has placed a hold has gotten the material. In the meantime, your hold may have been filled by an item from out of town – it depends on local demand.

Meditation & Yoga

Wednesdays 10 - 11:30 AM

May 2, 9, 16, 30

Buchanan Auditorium

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. Open to anyone interested in meditation and yoga or just in a happier, healthier life.

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



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