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Part of Celebrate Wilton Weekend

Wilton Library's Children's Book Sale and Discovery Day Sept. 12 & 13

Wilton, CT – School is just getting underway, so this is a great time to visit Wilton Library's annual Children's Book Sale Fund-raiser on Friday, Sept. 12, from 1 – 6 and Saturday, Sept. 13, from 10 – 5, kicking off the Celebrate Wilton Weekend sponsored by the Wilton Chamber of Commerce. Tables are stacked high with gently-used books, videos and DVDs, including a new section this year of brand-new books. Moms, dads, grandparents, caregivers and teachers have large assortments from which to choose for children's book reports, bedtime reading and rainy day quiet-time activities. According to Lynn Philbrick, co-chair of the event with Kim Horner, "Our objective for the library's fund-raiser is two-fold: we want to give the community a chance to buy great quality books at good prices, and we want to clear out as many of the children's books as we can to make room for next year's April book sale. Everything is priced to go." A silent auction of rare children's books will be part of the activities on Friday and Saturday.

Also on Saturday during the sale, the library will host its fourth annual Discovery Day Open House, from 11 – 2. Discovery Day gives patrons an opportunity to "discover" what's new and different in products, services and technology at the library. Guests will be able to see a demonstration of the new self-checkout station, tryout a Playaway audiobook, and even take a turn at Rock Band in the Brubeck Room (since secretly adults want to unleash their inner rock stars). The Wilton Reads! 2008 book, *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri, will be given away free to the first one hundred visitors. A full schedule of the community reading program sponsored by The Wilton Bank and the United Way of Norwalk & Wilton will be available. Teens will be able to learn more about Poetry in Motion, the library's poetry initiative. This third year's theme, *Life's Challenges...Tell Me About It!!*, provides an outlet for kids to examine the trials

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and tribulations of teenage life. Discovery Day also features the library's new World Language Collection, Library ELF – an electronic notification system for reserves and overdue items, and upcoming programs, including the Children's Library "Dr. Ernest Drake's Ology" program. The event also includes free food served on the front patio.

Daisy the Pig and Farmer Minor visit the library at 2 p.m. for the "Pig Out on Reading" program in the Children's Library. Farmer Minor will tell stories about Daisy and read some of her favorite books. The program is designed for everyone to enjoy, especially children ages 4 – 12. There is no charge for the program. Advance registration is recommended. To register for Daisy the Pig, visit the library's Web site at www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call (203)762-3950. Daisy's program is made possible by the Coyle Family Fund.

The last program of Wilton Library's Celebrate Wilton Weekend takes place from 4 – 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 14 with Lansing Lamont. The author will speak about his latest book, *You Must Remember This—A Reporter's Odyssey from Camelot to Glasnost*. Books will be available for purchase and signing. A question and answer period follows the talk which is free of charge. Registration is recommended online at the library's Web site.

Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. For information or directions, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org or call (203) 762-3950.

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Caption: An avid reader finds a spot to look for her favorite books at Wilton Library's Children's Book Sale last year. This year's sale is on Friday, Sept. 12, from 1 – 6 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 13, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. The sale features a silent auction of rare children's books. The library's Discovery Day is on Saturday, from 11 – 2. Wilton Library is located at 137 Old Ridgefield Road in the heart of Wilton Center. For information: www.wiltonlibrary.org or (203) 762-3950.