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Hello!

March promises to be a very busy month at the Library - our usage statistics are climbing in an unprecedented way. Folks are coming in droves to take advantage of all we have to offer, including collections, services, technology, and of course, our amazing programs. I want to alert you especially about two programs that "bookend" the month on its first and last weekends because they illustrate two of the important missions of Wilton Library programming: in the first case, bringing relevant information to our community and in the second, providing a venue and platform for our children's creativity and talent.

Sunday, March 1st

(from noon to 2 pm in the Brubeck Room)

Our newly elected State Senator, Toni Boucher, will speak to her district about the Governor's FY2010 Budget. We will have an opportunity to hear about what cuts have been made, what more can be expected, and how the deliberations in Hartford will likely impact us all.

Friday & Saturday, March 27th & 28th

(from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Brubeck Room)

Teens have been working since fall on writing poetry, envisioning and practicing their illustration and performance. We'll get to see the fruits of their labor in two magnificent and moving shows - and we'll get to purchase a book that captures the spirit of *Poetry in Motion 2009: Life's Challenges - Tell Me About It!*

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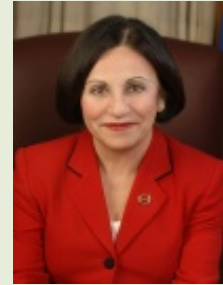
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From the depths of the grim economic realities of our day to the heights of talent and creativity of our teens, our Library is at the heart of the community, connecting us with both information and inspiration.

Kathy Leeds, Executive Director
Wilton Library Association

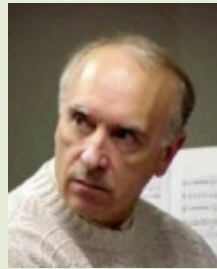
State Senator Toni Boucher The State of the State Budget

Join us on Sunday, March 1st, from noon to 2 pm in the Brubeck Room as our newly elected State Senator (and Wilton resident) Toni Boucher talks about the State Budget and its implications for our lives in the year ahead. No registration is necessary.



Connecticut's Own Concert: The Rex Cadwallader Trio

Sunday, March 1st, 4-5 pm



The Rex Cadwallader Trio will provide this third concert of our 2008/09 *Connecticut's Own* Sunday concert series.

Performers include Rex on piano, Mike Asetta on bass, and Arti Dixson on drums and they'll play an eclectic mix of jazz standards by composers such as George Gershwin, Richard Rodgers, Cole Porter, and Jerome Kern as well as several of Rex's own compositions. You can visit their [website](#) for a sample of the wonderfully smooth sound for which they're famous.

There is no charge for the program, but we ask that you **register in advance**. Pre-registrants must arrive by 3:50 pm to be guaranteed a seat. After 3:50 pm, and if space is available, wait-listed and walk-in registrants will be admitted.

Story Times in March

Literary Littles **Mondays or Tuesdays** **2-2:45 pm**



Children 4-6 years old will be provided with experiences that enrich early literacy. These sessions are intended for independent listeners. Please register for each session:

March 2nd
March 3rd
March 9th
March 10th
March 16th
March 17th

Wonderful Ones and Twos **Tuesdays or Wednesdays** **10:15-10:45 am**

This action packed program engages little ones in language based activities. These sessions are intended for children 1 to 2 years old and their parents/caregivers. Please register for each session:

March 3rd
March 4th
March 10th
March 11th
March 17th
March 18th

Look, Listen and Learn **Tuesdays or Wednesdays** **11-11:30 am**

Children can enjoy hand clapping, toe tapping songs, finger plays and stories that encourage emerging language skills. These sessions are intended for 3 and 4 year olds and their parents/caregivers. Please register for each session.

March 3rd
March 4th
March 10th
March 11th
March 17th
March 18th

Creating Lasting Connections

Class of 2016 (5th Grade Parents) can participate in the continuation of workshops through March. Please call 227-7644, x132 or email prevention@positive-directions.org for more information and to register for upcoming sessions.

Tuesdays from 9:15-11 am

Wednesdays from 7:30-9 pm

Thursdays from noon-1:45 pm



The workshops, endorsed by School Superintendent Gary Richards, are designed to guide parents through the adolescent years in helping their children to make safe choices.

Creating Lasting Family Connections (CLFC) is a nationally acclaimed parenting program where participants learn effective parenting tools to prevent risky behavior, raise resilient children, and enhance family relationships. CLFC workshops are facilitated and provided by Positive Directions and Wilton Youth Services in collaboration with the Wilton Library, Wilton PTA, Vision 2020 and the United Way.

The Cat in the Hat Visits!

Monday, March 2nd, from 4-5 pm

It's Dr Seuss' birthday! Come meet the Cat in the Hat, listen to Dr. Seuss stories, and watch a short movie. Parents, bring your cameras for a terrific photo op! There is no charge for this program, but we ask that you **register in advance**. Everyone is welcome to join in the birthday fun.



Our Seuss birthday party is made possible by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund.

Author Talks in March

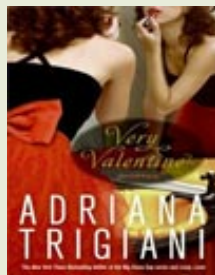
We have two wonderful author visits coming up in March:



On **Tuesday, March 3rd, from 10:30 am to noon**, gardening authors **Wayne Winterrowd and Joe Eck** will come to see us. They have delighted readers for years with their books, gardening articles, and lectures around the country. What better way to look forward to spring than to listen to them talk about their new book, ***Our Life in Gardens!*** Local gardener and author Page Dickey writes that settling down with this book is "like opening a box of very fine

chocolates, except better. Part memoir, part stories of plants and design, this small volume radiates charm and humor while offering precious tidbits of wisdom. A delicious read."

Eck and Winterrowd are also the authors of *Living Seasonally: The Kitchen Garden and Table at North Hill, A Year at North Hill, Elements of Garden Design and Annuals for the Connoisseur*. Their garden at North Hill in Vermont has been featured in *Horticulture*, in *The New York Times*, and in Rosemary Verey's *The American Man's Garden*, among many other publications. Please **register in advance** to hear Wayne and Joe.



On **Thursday, March 12th, from 7 to 8:30 pm**, authors Adriana Trigiani and Todd Johnson will come to the Library. ***Very Valentine - A Novel*** is the first in a new trilogy by popular fiction writer, **Adriana Trigiani**. The author of the bestselling *Big Stone Gap Trilogy*, *Lucia*, *Lucia*, and *The Queen of the Big Time*, Trigiani has written the screenplay for the movie *Big Stone Gap*, which she will also direct.



Joining Adriana on the 12th will be **Todd Johnson**, whose fiction debut, ***The Sweet By and By***, tells of five very different Southern women in a story of love and friendship and the way in which ordinary people can affect those around them in extraordinary ways. Johnson was a producer of the 2006 Broadway musical *The Color Purple*. Please **register in advance** to hear Adriana and Todd.

All four authors will answer questions following their talks and then we'll have time for the purchase and signing of books. Join us!

The Genius of *Genesis* Tuesdays in March from 7:30-9 pm

Perhaps no book of the Bible shapes our thinking as much as *Genesis*. Its stories are known, beloved, and sometimes reviled as *Genesis* calls us to consider our own place in the world. This three-part scholarly series invites you to take a closer look at some of the most compelling stories of *Genesis*, as we explore together their power and influence in our lives today. The talks will be led by Julie Faith Parker, an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church, author of four books and numerous articles, and currently a doctoral candidate in Old Testament/Hebrew Bible and teacher at Yale University. This enlightening and entertaining series is



co-sponsored by St. Matthew's Church and has been made possible through a grant from Peter and Joan Kaskell.

Eve - The Mother of All Evil?

Tuesday, March 3rd

This first interactive talk invites you to re-discover the characters of Eve and Adam. How does the scene in the Garden of Eden really unfold? What role do translators play in shaping our understanding of this story? How much of our knowledge comes from cultural interpretation, but contradicts the text? This evening will offer some surprising answers to these questions, through a close look at the text combined with a lively presentation. Please [register in advance](#).

Abraham, Sarah and Surprising Family Values

Tuesday, March 10th

We hear a lot about family values in the public arena and the need to turn to the Bible for guidance. However, be careful which characters you choose for role models, because you would not want to start with Abraham. The first family in the historical memory of the Israelites shows us not only virtues, but many vices. Indeed, it is the honest humanity in these stories that makes them so compelling. This second talk in the series invites a fresh look at Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, and ancient polygamy. Please [register in advance](#).

Joseph, Jealousy, and Justice

Tuesday, March 17th

The story of Joseph illustrates sibling rivalry taken to the extreme. Favoritism from a father, narcissism from a son, and squabbles among brothers somehow culminate in the salvation of a people. What was it like to be a child, like Joseph, in ancient times? What can we learn from him - about what to do and what not to do as we go through life? This final session looks at the twists and turns in Joseph's story with an eye toward the insight it offers for our own lives. Please [register in advance](#).

Let's Chat on March 3rd & 24th

Conversational English Made Easy and Fun!



Please join us from **7 to 8:30 pm** for an informal, drop-in session for all speakers of other languages who want to gain better English speaking skills through practice. Volunteers will be on hand to guide the conversation.

March 3rd is the 6th segment of a 6-week session. Our next session starts March 24th and all are welcome. Refreshments will be served. No registration is necessary - just come!

Buy Wine to Benefit the Library!

On **Wednesday, March 4th**, the owners (Wilton residents) of New Canaan Wine Merchants will hold a benefit for the Wilton Library. Visit their beautiful new shop at 36 Pine Street, next to Walgreens and across from the New Canaan Train Station between **3 and 8 pm** that day and

10% of all purchases will be donated to our Library! If you can't get over to New Canaan that afternoon, please call ahead (972-0100) to order your favorite wine and arrange for free delivery. Don't forget to mention that the Library sent you!



We extend our thanks to Tony, Sarah, Carol, Jeff, and all the folks at **New Canaan Wine Merchants** for helping us out - I'll see you there!

Jobs! Jobs? Jobs:

A Series Co-sponsored by Wilton Library & Wilton Chamber of Commerce

JOBS! JOBS? JOBS:

**Perfecting Your Resume & Cover Letter
Thursday, March 5th, 7-9 pm**

How long has it been since you've written and/or updated your resume? In this tight market, your resume and cover letter may provide the first contact you have with a possible future employer, so it's important that you make a good first impression. With so much competition, you want to make sure you stand out from others by providing information the employer is looking for.

Lisa Chubinsky of **Staff Providers** will be the instructor for this topic in the JOBS! JOBS? JOBS: series co-sponsored by the Wilton Chamber of Commerce and Wilton Library. There is no charge, but we ask that you **register in advance**.

JOBS! JOBS? JOBS:

**Networking for Success with Rich Gee
Thursday, March 19th, 8 to 10 am**

Toot your own horn without blowing it. With friends, colleagues - everyone you meet! Understand how to leverage basic interpersonal behaviors and tricks to get you noticed and appreciated. Learn how to network effectively and connect to meet new, exciting, and influential people. Master assertive communication styles that allow you to go from being invisible to making key contacts that will deliver success.

Rich Gee, President and CEO for **richgeecoaching** providing business, executive, and personal coaching services, will

conduct this essential and exciting seminar as part of our *JOBS! JOBS? JOBS:* series to assist job seekers in the community. Rich Gee is regularly tapped by *The Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times* and *The Today Show*. There is no charge, but we ask that you **register in advance**.

Friday Film Fest

Fridays in March from 1-3 pm

March's theme for Wilton Library's Friday Film Fest is Early Hitchcock. Movies and popcorn are free - join us for Friday afternoon entertainment!

March 6th ~ ~ *The Man Who Knew Too Much*

Join us on March 6th for *The Man Who Knew Too Much* starring James Stewart and Doris Day (Black and White; 77 minutes; 1956).

This vintage Hitchcock classic, his greatest British success, concerns an English couple on holiday in Switzerland who are told (by a dying secret agent) of a plot to assassinate a foreign diplomat. Before the couple can pass on this information to the authorities, their little boy is kidnapped by the assassins, who warn them that their son will remain safe only so long as they remain silent, in this marvelous suspense story. Please **register in advance**.



March 13th ~ ~ *The 39 Steps*

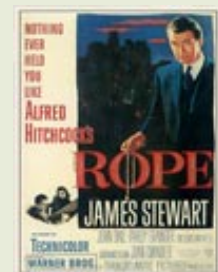
Join us on March 13th for *The 39 Steps* starring Robert Donat, Madeleine Carroll, and Lucie Mannheim (86 minutes; 1935) Richard Hannay is a Canadian visitor to London. At the end of Mr. Memory's show in a music hall, he meets Annabella Smith who is running away from secret agents. He attempts to hide her in his flat, but in the night she is murdered. Fearing he could be accused of the girl's murder, Hannay goes on the run to break the spy ring.

Please **register in advance**.



March 20th ~ ~ *Rope*

Join us on March 20th for *Rope* starring James Stewart, John Dall, and Farley Granger (80 minutes; 1948). Hitchcock's favorite film is also his rarest and most intriguing, and is an unprecedented movie. His first color film and the first film he ever produced, the title is taken from the murder weapon. Loosely based on a true story, two rich young men murder a colleague for the sake of murder and then coolly throw a party around the hidden corpse in this curious intellectual drama. Please **register in advance**.



March 27th ~ ~ *The Trouble with Harry*

Join us on March 27th for *The Trouble with Harry* starring John Forsythe, Shirley MacLaine, and Edmund Gwenn (99 minutes; 1955). The trouble with Harry is . . . he's dead. In this bizarre black comedy of errors, each eccentric character that stumbles across the corpse believes he's responsible for Harry's death. This understated macabre comedy of confusion is one of the best examples of Hitchcock's humor as well as one of the master's favorites. Please [register in advance](#).



Did You Know?

We Have Magazines and Newspapers in Foreign Languages!



Our newly established World Languages Collection includes six magazines and one newspaper. Included are the Spanish magazines, *[Cosmopolitan en Español](#)* (monthly), *[People en Español](#)* (monthly) and *[Vanidades Continental](#)* (bi-weekly) and the Spanish newspaper, *[El Diario la Prensa](#)* (six days per week). The collection also includes the Italian monthly science magazine, *[Focus](#)*, and the weeklies, *[Paris Match](#)* (French) and *[Der Spiegel](#)* (German). All are available for borrowing.

The entire World Languages Collection is located near the Reference Desk and our reference staff will be glad to help you find what you need.

Artists' Reception

A Group Show of "The Wild Bunch" Friday, March 6th, 6-7:30 pm

This exhibition features a selection of artworks by twenty-four local artists, representing a diverse collection of subject matter using acrylics, watercolors, pastels, mixed media and oils. The public is invited to our reception on March 6th and to enjoy the exhibition which runs through Sunday, March 29th. The majority of the artworks will be available for purchase and a portion of the proceeds benefits the Library.



Hands-on Computer Classes



We have a great selection of computer classes lined up for March! Please note that when the class is full (classes are limited to 10 students), additional registrants will be added to a wait list. If any original registrants drop out, people from the wait list will be moved up to take the vacated spot. To insure the best learning experience for all, latecomers will not be seated ten minutes past the posted start time. The door to the Training Lab will be closed at that time. Basic computer skills, including mouse proficiency, are required. There is no charge for the following programs:

Intermediate Photo Editing

Saturday, March 7th, 11am to 12:30 pm

Using a photo provided by the instructor (Michael Franco) and Photoshop Elements, students will learn how to enhance portrait photos by blurring and making other changes to the existing background using layers, selection tools, filters, and more. Please **register in advance**.

Basic Excel

Mary Anne Franco will show students how to create and edit spreadsheets in Excel 2003 in this free class, repeated on two days.

~ ~ ~ **Tuesday, March 10th, 6:30 to 8 pm** (please **register in advance**)

~ ~ ~ **Thursday, March 12th, 12:30 to 2 pm** (please **register in advance**)

Basic PowerPoint

Mary Anne Franco will show students how to create presentations for PowerPoint 2003 in this free class, repeated on two days.

~ ~ ~ **Tuesday, March 17th, 6:30 to 8 pm** (please **register in advance**)

~ ~ ~ **Thursday, March 19th, 12:30 to 2 pm** (please **register in advance**)

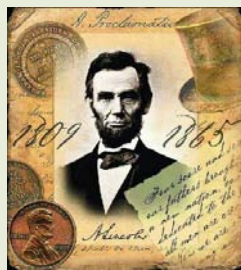
Hot & Cool: Jazz at the Brubeck Room Features
The Virginia Mayhew Quartet
Saturday, March 7th, 7:30-9:30 pm

For over 20 years, saxophonist-composer-arranger Virginia Mayhew has been an active participant in the New York jazz scene, working with renowned artists such as Earl 'Fatha' Hines, Cab Calloway, Frank Zappa, James Brown, Norman Simmons, and many others in heralded jazz venues such as the Blue Note, Birdland, and Lincoln Center...and now the Brubeck Room at Wilton Library! Jerry DeSouza comments in *All About Jazz* that "Mayhew's tone is deep, dark, and flinty; even as she carves a burnished edge, she pours warmth and emotion into the music." Playing in the Quartet is Virginia Mayhew - tenor saxophone; Oscar Perez - piano; Harvie S - bass; and Victor Jones - drums.



As musical director and saxophonist of the Duke Ellington Legacy, she is dedicated to keeping Ellington's music alive through performances in schools, retirement communities, prisons, public concerts, and clubs. In addition, she has extensive teaching experience privately, at schools, and at jazz camps.

Join us for this extraordinary concert. A reception will follow the performance. A donation of \$10 per person is suggested and will be used to underwrite other fine programs at the Library. *Hot & Cool: Jazz at the Brubeck Room* is funded by the William and Karen Tell Foundation with special thanks to Ed and Catherine Romer and Chris and Tish Brubeck. **Advance registration is strongly suggested** and pre-registrants must arrive by 7:20 pm to be guaranteed seating. At 7:20 pm, if space is available, wait-listed and walk-in registrants will be admitted.



**The Age of Lincoln
Series Continues**

The wonderful series of lectures about Abraham Lincoln sponsored by **The Wilton Bank** and presented by the Wilton Historical Society and Wilton Library with great thanks to Owen Williams has been an overwhelming success.

The two final lectures are in March (**please note the new date for Harold Holzer!**). Although they are fully subscribed and have lengthy waiting lists, you may want to add your name, as we will be contacting all who are registered to see if their plans have changed and will be offering seats thus vacated to those in the "wait list" category. In addition, for the March 31st session held at the Library, additional seating in meeting rooms upstairs will be available with the lecture

simulcast from the Brubeck Room. **I should note that at the previous 3 lectures, everyone who has shown up was able to have a seat!**

Lincoln and Secession

Harold Holzer

Sunday, March 22nd, 2 pm NOTE NEW DATE!!!

Wilton Historical Society

The Great Emancipator as Lawyer

Paul Finkelman

Thursday, March 31st, 7:30 pm

Wilton Library, 137 Old Ridgefield Road

For more information and to register, please visit our Age of Lincoln [webpage](#).

Book Discussions for Kids in March

WINRs (Wilton Intermediate Nutmeg Readers) Circle

Saturday, March 7th, 3-3:45 pm

Calling all book lovers in grades 4-6! Come to the WINRs Circle, a book group that discusses the 2010 Nutmeg nominees. CT's Nutmeg Award encourages children to read literature selected by a panel of state librarians. Children will choose their favorite book out of ten titles.



On the first Saturday of each month the WINRs Circle will meet for fun, pizza donated by **Wilton Pizza** and discussion. The book for March is ***A Dog's Life***, by **Ann M.**

Martin. Denise Fox from ***Ridgefield Operation for Animal***

Rescue (ROAR) will speak with the children about stray dogs and puppy mills, introduce them to her rescue dog Baci and teach them how to be involved in helping animals. Children are encouraged to join the WINRs Circle with a friend or make a new one. **Registration is required**. This program has been made possible by **HSBC Bank**.

Have Your Cake and Read it Too!

Child/Adult Book Discussion

A Wrinkle in Time

Thursday, March 19th, 6:30-7:30 pm

Join our Kids' Book Club for children in grades 3 and up! Dessert will be served and adults are welcome. Children and their adults will read the book selection and then join us for discussion.

Our March book selection is ***A Wrinkle in Time***, by **Madeline L'Engle**. **Registration is**

recommended. The Kids' Book Club has been made possible by the Steve and Alison Sherman Family Fund.



Saint Patrick's Day Fun

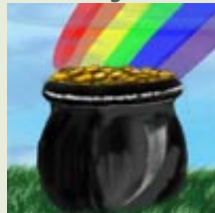
We've got a couple of activities planned to celebrate the patron saint of Ireland in March:

Drop-in St. Patrick's Day Crafts Saturday, March 14th, 10 am to 5 pm



Children of all ages can stop by during regular Library hours and make a craft to take home. No registration is necessary.

Irish Folklore Tuesday, March 17th, 6:30-7:30 pm



Children ages 6 and up are invited to join Wilton Library's very own Seanachí (storyteller) Lesley Keogh as she celebrates Saint Patrick's Day with stories from Irish folklore that feature wailing banshees, mischievous leprechauns and other "faerie folk."

Registration is recommended. This folklore session has been made possible by the Steve and Alison Sherman Family Fund.

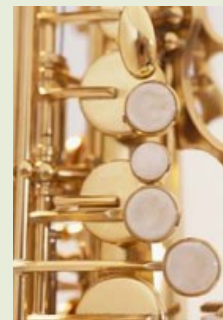
Programs for Parents & Families

Norwalk Symphony Family Program (Not) Just for Kids--Brass Sunday, March 14th, 2-3 pm

Join us as members of the brass section of the Norwalk Symphony Orchestra demonstrate their instruments. Children ages 3 through 10 and their families will get to experience hands-on participation and enjoy learning from the experts in an entertaining and engaging way.

Advance registration is suggested. The

Norwalk Symphony's (Not) Just for Kids series has been sponsored by the Maximilian E. and Marion O. Hoffman Foundation, Inc.



Deadly Persuasion: What Advertisers Really Sell Our Kids Tuesday, March 24th 11:30 am-1:00 pm

More than ever before, our children and teens are under assault by advertisers. The average young person in the U.S. is exposed to more than 3,000 advertisements each day, many of which convey strong messages about success, popularity, and self-worth. **Dr. Jean Kilbourne**, an internationally recognized expert on the effects of advertising, will explore how those pervasive and



persuasive messages can influence our children's values and undermine what parents try to teach them about life, love, character and relationships. This important program is presented by Parent Connection and sponsored by Wilton Youth Council, Wilton PTA Council, and the Wilton Library. Bring your own brown bag lunch, if you like, and please **register in advance.**

Adoption Workshop for Parents with Sherrie Eldridge

Sunday, March 29th, 1-5 pm

Sherrie Eldridge, author of *Twenty Things Adopted Kids Wished Their Adoptive Parents Knew*, will conduct an interactive

workshop for adoptive parents, adult adoptees and professionals, featuring a presentation and small group discussions on: coping with loss and grief, resolving identity issues, life changing choices adoptees need to make, and connection -- the adoptee's deepest need.

This program is presented jointly by Touched by Adoption, LLC, the Adoptive Parents Committee, Inc., the UCONN Health Center Adoption Assistance Program, and the Wilton Library.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Registration is strongly suggested. **To register, please email:**

tbadoption@optonline.net.



Wishlist for March

We are so very grateful to those of you who responded to our plea for *The International Herald Tribune* last month. Hope Swenson has agreed to fund the entire subscription for a year to keep the newspaper on our shelves for community use. Thank you, Hope!

This month, we would like (with help!) to purchase



All Creatures Great and Small (the complete collection of 28 DVDs) at a cost of \$320. Amazon says of this extraordinary

collection, "Experience the phenomenally successful series, *All Creatures Great and Small*, based on the best-selling books by James Herriot. Set in the fictional Yorkshire

Dales town of Darrowby, the series offers comforting reflections of a much gentler time when life moved at a somewhat slower pace. This collection features every episode, tracing the endearing career of this country veterinarian, from the 1930s through World War II and the hopeful 1950s. It's a joyful journey that will warm the hearts of fans everywhere."

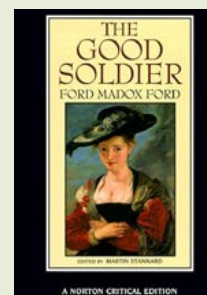
If we are able to purchase the set, we will circulate the DVDs individually so that many can enjoy the series at the same time. **If you would like to pay for the collection, please email me or call 203-762-3950 x215 immediately and**

we'll purchase and process it at once.

Book Discussions for Adults

Wilton Library Readers Wednesday, March 11th noon to 1:30 pm

Susan Boyar and the Wilton Library Readers will discuss *The Good Soldier*, by **Ford Madox Ford**. Somewhat forgotten as a classic, *The Good Soldier* has been called everything from the consummate novelist's novel to one of the greatest English works of the century. And although its narrative hook (the philandering of an otherwise noble man) no longer shocks, its unerring cadences and doleful inevitabilities proclaim an enduring appeal. Please register in advance- all are welcome. Bring your lunch and we will provide the beverages. For a complete listing of meetings and book selections, visit the Wilton Library Readers page on Wilton Library's website.



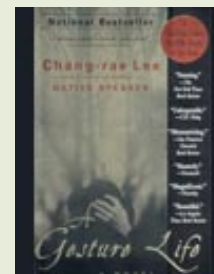
Ben Van Vechten Seminar Literary Hodgepodge Thursday & Friday March 19th & 20th 10:30 to noon

Ben Van Vechten will return to the Wilton Library for a special 2-day seminar on March 19th and 20th. "Literary Hodgepodge" reflects his choice of material which does not fit into any one category. The selections will be available at the front desk before the seminar begins (you can call ahead to check for availability at 762-3950). Advance registration is required.

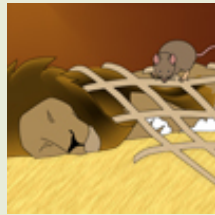


Senior Center Book Discussion Tuesday, March 24th at 11 am

All are welcome to Wilton's Senior Center at Comstock Community Center, 180 School Road, on March 24th to discuss *A Gesture Life*, by **Chang-rae Lee**. Miwako Ogasawara will lead the discussion of this beautiful work *The New York Times* called "a wise and humane novel that both amplifies the themes of identity and exile he addressed in *Native Speaker*, and creates a wonderfully resonant portrait of a man caught between two cultures and two lives." Please call the Senior Center at 834-6240 to register.



International Folklore & Fantasy Kids Travel to Other Countries Through Books



Our new and popular International Folklore & Fantasy program is a wonderful way for kids in first through fifth grades to learn about the world around them. Each session (from **2-3 pm on Saturdays**) is led by a native of another country who is now living in Wilton. Each program will feature aspects of his or her native culture, including stories, childhood memories and special refreshments. Please register in advance for the following sessions in March:

March 14th: Learn about **Brazil** with Brazilian native Cinthia Goncalves (**please register**).

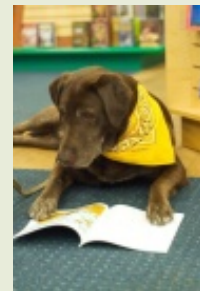
March 28th: Learn about **Korea** with Korean native Inja Chung (**please register**).

Our International Folklore & Fantasy program is made possible by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund.

Tales to Tails

Saturday, March 21st, from 11 to noon

The **Good Dog Foundation** brings therapy dogs to the library so that children may read to them. The use of trained therapy dogs in reading programs can result in children who feel comfortable reading out loud, read more often, attempt more difficult books, and actually look forward to reading.



Children must be able to read independently to participate in this program. They will be scheduled to read for 10 to 15 minutes and can bring a book from home or choose one from the Library. **Please register in advance** as space is limited. A member of the Children's Library staff will call to confirm your registration and assign a time slot between 11 and noon on the 21st.

Fancy Nancy Soirée for Girls
Wednesday, March 30th, from 2 to 2:45 pm

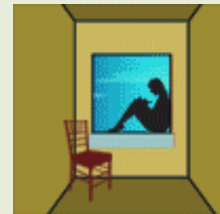


Girls from 4 to 7 years old can dress in their fanciest clothes and join the celebration of all things fancy. Fancy crafts, fancy games, fancy food and even a fancy story will be part of the fun.

Please RSVP (that's fancy for please call or register online). Registration is recommended. Our Fancy Nancy Soirée has been made possible by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund.

Poetry in Motion 2009:
Life's Challenges...Tell Me About It!
Friday/Saturday, March 27th/28th, 7-8:30 pm

Poetry in Motion is a two-night poetry and arts event for Wilton Library's poetry initiative that this year is centered on the theme of the trials and tribulations in a teen's life. Original poetry written by students in grades 7 through 12 will be read and performed accompanied by various art forms. A book of the students' poetry will be available for purchase.



This outstanding program is sponsored by the Wilton Library with funding from an anonymous donor. Tickets may be purchased at the Library's Circulation desk only (no online registration) and cost \$5 per person for each show. Proceeds from Poetry in Motion 2009 will benefit future teen programs at the Library.

Wilton Candlelight Concerts:
Jason Hardy, Bass-baritone
Sunday, March 29th at 4 pm



This young, energetic singer made his 2006 New York City Opera debut as Polyphemus in *Acts and Galatea*, garnering praise from *Opera News* for his "brilliant" performance. Mr. Hardy has given many performances in Carnegie Hall, Kennedy Center and at the Marlborough Music Festival, singing repertoire ranging from Purcell to Prokofiev.

For more information and tickets, call (203) 762-3401 or visit the Candlelight Concerts [website](#). This concert will take place at the Wilton Congregational Church located at 70 Ridgefield Road (Route 33), Wilton CT. 06897. A portion of the proceeds from the concert will benefit the Library's classical music collection.

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