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Hi!

August is certainly all about kids and teens at the Wilton Library! We have so much in store to fend off the dog days of summer - come see what's causing all the excitement.

While you're here, make sure to take a look at our Summer Show because the extraordinary art work of your friends and neighbors is on display through the end of the month. We've already sold many works, but this is the biggest Summer Show ever, so quite a lot of art remains at reasonable prices to brighten up that special spot in your home. Come shop and benefit the Library at the same time!

In addition, you can cool off in our Reading Room, take your lunch or dinner out to either of the beautiful courtyards, use our high speed wired and wireless Internet connections, or simply find a quiet corner where you can relax and read.

See you at the Library!

Kathy Leeds, Director

Twilight Saga Soiree for Teens

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Author Stephanie Meyer has done it again! She has written the fourth and final book in her wildly popular Twilight Saga series, *Breaking Dawn*, and it is due to be released August 1st. Teens entering grades 7 through 12 and recent high school grads are invited to come to the Library for a fantastic celebration of the book's release on **Friday, August 1st, from 10 pm to midnight**. We'll have crafts, trivia games, food and prizes. [Please register in advance](#) because we have limited space and there will be high demand for this party sponsored by the John & Patricia Curran Teen Fund. We'll be pre-ordering copies of *Breaking Dawn* and if you would like one that evening at midnight, just drop off or send your check made out to Wilton Library for \$23 to Teens @ Wilton Library, 137 Old Ridgefield Road, Wilton, CT 06897.



## Crafts with Mrs. Keogh on August 1st



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From 3 to 5 pm, on Friday, August 1st, our own Children's Library Assistant Lesley Keogh will be on hand to inspire and guide kids entering second grade and older. If you've seen the results of her workshops in the past, you know that Lesley is a font of creativity and kids emerge from her sessions enormously proud of their crafty concoctions. No registration is necessary - kids can just come by and create!



More Great August Crafts for All Ages

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Our summer reading program, *Travel the 50 States*, features drop-in crafts throughout the summer. During August, kids of all ages can stop by to make crafts based on the theme for the week. All materials will be supplied at no charge and no registration is necessary.

Stop by the Children's Library anytime on **Mondays, August 4th and 11th, between the hours of 10 am and 8 pm** for some crafty fun.

## Story Times



### *Sleepytime Stories*

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On **Monday, August 4th, from 6 to 6:30 pm**, children 2 to 6 years old can put on their pajamas, grab a blanket, and head for the Library. We'll serve up sleepytime stories for everyone who arrives, but note that kids under 4 must be accompanied by adults. No registration is necessary for this terrific way to end the day.

Drop-In Stories

On **Tuesdays, August 5th and 12th**, Library staff members will read stories just right for the following ages, and no registration is necessary:

Ones and Twos with caregivers ~ 10:15 to 10:45 am

Twos and Threes with caregivers ~ 11 to 11:30 am

Threes and Fours on their own ~ 11:45 am to 12:15 pm

Fives through Eights ~ 2 to 2:45 pm

American Tales

On **Monday, August 11th, from 6 to 6:30 pm**, to go along with our *Travel the 50 States* summer reading, we'll have special American stories for kids who are 5 and older. No registration is necessary - simply stop by!



Teens Love X-Box Rock Band!

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On **Tuesdays, August 5th and 12th, from 4 to 6 pm** in the Library's Brubeck Room, teens can play a guitar, sing a song, or try the drums, and see their music appear on the big screen. X-Box Rock Band is one of the most popular games around, and this will be a wonderful opportunity to try it out.

We'll have free snacks, lots of fun is guaranteed, and no registration is necessary. Parents and other adults have been so interested in these sessions, we may need to schedule one for the older folks, but teens - this one is just for YOU, thanks to the John & Patricia Curran Teen Fund.



### Hannah Montana's Friends to Perform

As part of our Wednesday Wonders (California) for the Travel the 50 States summer reading program, kids who are 4 and older can meet "students" from Hannah Montana's school! They'll dance and sing up a storm and the audience can join in. No registration is necessary and there is no fee, thanks to generous sponsorship from our friends at **Stop & Shop**. Stop by to see Hannah's friends on **Wednesday, August 6th, from 3 to 4 pm**.



### Teen Book Talks

All summer long we've had drop-in book discussions for teens entering grades 7 through 12. In August, at our sessions on **August 6th and 13th, from 4 to 5 pm**, teens can come in and talk about any book they have just read at an informal roundtable with others their age. Snacks will be provided free, thanks to the John & Patricia Curran Teen Fund.

### Friday Flicks for Kids



On Fridays, August 8th and 15th, the Craft/Story Room in the Children's Library will have a film fest with free popcorn and lemonade. Showtimes for the big screen are as follows:

#### *For Little Kids*

~~ August 8th from 10:30 to 11:30 am: *Wiggles - You Make Me Feel Like Dancing*

~~ August 15th from 10:30 to 11:30 am: *Charlie & Lola - Collecting Collection*

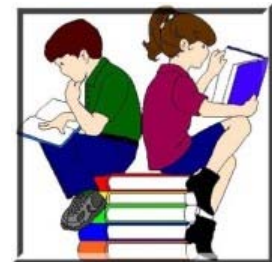
#### *For Big Kids*

~~ August 8th at 2 pm: *Hannah Montana - One in a Million*

~~ August 15th at 2 pm: *Star Wars: Clone Wars*

### Our Kids' Book Club Takes on the New Frontier

On **Tuesday, August 12th, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm**, kids entering grades 3 through 6 can discover that our Kids' Book Club is about more than just talking! Each meeting of the Club (open to all) centers on a different theme as part of the *Travel the 50 States* summer reading program, and this session will be on novels about the New Frontier (see the Children's Library staff for a reading list). [Please register in advance](#) for "book talking" and lots of fun.



### Freedom Fries Return!

On **Thursday, August 12, from 8 to 9 pm**, The Freedom Fries Band will return to the Brubeck Room stage at the Library. Band members Evan Paul, Dave Walker, Dan King and Emile Faris are all 2007 Wilton High grads.

This concert and all the refreshments are free and the concert is open to all who love great rock/funk music. Thanks to sponsorship by the John & Patricia Curran Teen Fund, there is no charge and no registration is necessary, but come early to get a good seat!

## Light Saber Battles II

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On **Wednesday, August 13th, at 2, 3, and 4 pm**, we'll have thrilling half-hour demonstrations of Thai stick fighting every hour on the hour. All ages are welcome and no registration is necessary for this show that is part of the Wednesday Wonders (this one about the New Frontier) in our *Travel the 50 States* summer reading extravaganza.



Spotlight On: ReferenceUSA

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Looking for phone numbers but not sure in which state or city the person is located? Have a phone number and need an address? Our [ReferenceUSA](#) database allows you to search for people by name, address, city, state or phone number. **ReferenceUSA** is divided into three sections: Residential, Business, and Health Care. You can also search for businesses by name, address, city, state, phone number, business type, number of employees, sales volume, executive title and many other criteria. Finally, you can search the Health Care section by physician or dentist name, gender, age, type of practice, year graduated, primary specialty, medical school attended, state of license, and board certification, in addition to address, city, state, and phone.

This chock-full-of-information database is available in the Library to everyone and to Wilton residents remotely from anywhere in the world (with their Wilton Library Card barcode). If you have any questions about this database or would like a demonstration, please contact Mary Anne Mendola Franco, Head of Network Services, at 762-3950, extension 210, or via e-mail at [mamfranco@wiltonlibrary.org](mailto:mamfranco@wiltonlibrary.org).

## Did You Know?

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Have you ever heard a rave about a book or movie that made you wish you could enjoy it, but found that a visit to the Library just isn't possible right away?

Well, if you are close to a computer or a phone, we can help you out and make your busy schedule a bit less complicated! Just give us a call during open hours (762-3950) and ask us to reserve it. Better still, you can reach us 24/7 online. Just go to www.wiltonlibrary.org, click on "Your Account" at the top of the homepage, enter your Library card number and the last 4 digits of your phone number, and you are off and running. You can see and renew your items currently checked out and place a hold on (or reserve) that book or movie about which you just heard.

To top off the convenience, you can pick up your reserves and drop off returns at our handy **drive-up window** on Godfrey Place! It's so easy - and the first of its kind in the Northeast...a great time-saver as you do your other errands in and about town. We're your Wilton Library - here to serve you well. Come see us soon.



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