

Library Lines

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Book sale starts Saturday

The library's *Gigantic Annual Book Sale* begins bright and early Saturday morning, April 10 with early buyers paying a \$15 admission fee for access from 7 to 9 a.m. The sale then opens to the rest of the public at 9 through 5 on Saturday. The sale continues on Sunday from noon to 5, Monday from 10 to 5 with items half-price, and Tuesday from 10 to 2 with \$5 per bag. The silent auction takes place on Saturday and Sunday. Attendees can get an advance look at the auction by visiting the library's website at www.wiltonlibrary.org and clicking on Book Sale on the left side of the homepage. The Rotary Club of Wilton will be selling coffee and donuts, then hot dogs and sodas on Saturday with proceeds benefiting the library. More than 70,000 books, DVDs, CDs, audio books, and videos, in more than 50 categories will be on sale for adults, children, teens, gardeners, mystery lovers, history buffs, and more. For information: www.wiltonlibrary.org or 203-762-3950, ext. 213.

A trip to France

Parlez-vous français? Guest speaker Florence DiGiorio will take kids in grades 1 through 5 on a cultural journey to France on Saturday, April 10, in *International Folklore and Fantasy*, from 2 – 3 p.m. This program is a shared story experience that introduces older children to other cultures around the world through their Wilton neighbors. The speakers are originally from other countries and are currently living in Wilton. Children under twelve must have caregivers remain in the building. The program is sponsored by the Steve and Alison Sherman Family Fund. There is no charge; registration is required. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 217.

WINRs Circle fun

The monthly *WINRs Circle* (Wilton Intermediate Nutmeg Readers) gets together on Saturday, April 10, from 3 – 4 p.m. to discuss this month's Nutmeg Award-nominated book, *Night of the Howling Dogs* by Graham Salisbury. Kids in grades 4 through 6 enjoy pizza from Wilton Pizza, while discussing the book, on their way to choosing their favorite of 10 next January. There is no program fee; registration is required. The program is made possible by a grant from HSBC Bank. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 217.

Digital photography

Michael Franco, the library's guest speaker on all things digital when it comes to photography, is conducting a session on *Basic Gimp*, an alternative to Photoshop Elements. The class is Sunday, April 11, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. In this demonstration-style class, Michael will explore the free download and its benefits and features to participants. Registration is suggested. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 213.

Book group convenes

Wilton Library Readers meet Wednesday, April 14, from noon to 1:30 p.m. to discuss *Lark and Termite* by Jayne Anne Phillips. Book group leader Susan Boyar facilitates the discussion. Participants are reminded to bring their lunches. The last book for the season is *A Room with a View* by E. M. Forster which will be discussed on May 12. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 213.

Helping kids get organized

Regina Cornelio, MS.Ed, a certified life coach, will discuss practical ways to help parents organize their children at home, in school and in their daily lives in the program, *Help! My Kid is Disorganized!*, on Thursday, April 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A structured routine for homework and studying will be presented and will touch on areas such as test-taking strategies, study strategies for different types of learners, establishment of a homework routine, note-taking tips and planning through the use of a calendar and daily 'to-do' lists. Attendees will be given a quick quiz and an assignment at the end of the presentation, followed by a Q&A session. There is no charge. Registration is recommended. The program is sponsored by Parent Connection, Wilton Youth Council, and the library. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 213.

Author talk

John Barricelli, the owner of the SoNo Baking Company & Café in South Norwalk talks about his recent book, *The SoNo Baking Company Cookbook* on Thursday, April 15, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The book is for first time and experienced home bakers, with recipes for breads, specialty cakes, delicate pastries, and more. Mr. Barricelli is seen regularly on "The Martha Stewart Show" and is the co-host of "Everyday Food." A third-generation baker, he graduated from the Culinary Institute of America and worked at River Café, Le Bernardin, and the Four Seasons Restaurant. He then owned and ran Cousin John's Café and Bakery in Brooklyn for ten years before becoming a media star and then owner of The SoNo Baking Company & Café. A Q&A period, book sales and signing follow the talk. There is no charge. Registration is highly recommended. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 203-762-3950, ext. 213.

Reminder: This is *Keep a Poem in Your Pocket Week* at the library (April 12 – 18) for kids in grades 1 - 6. Visit www.wiltonlibrary.org/events for more details.