

# Library Lines

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## **Understanding reading**

Shefali Patel, licensed and certified speech and language pathologist, hosts Reading Comprehension Workshop, Saturday, May 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This 4-hour workshop focuses on several key topics pertaining to children and reading comprehension. Ms. Patel touches upon theory and the mechanics of the human brain, reading for meaning, building connections and more. The hands-on workshop is designed for parents, guardians, child care providers, and school professionals. The program includes a break for lunch as well as discussion time. Certificates of participation for three hours are available. Registration is required; there is no fee. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

## **Fine journey to Finland**

Guest speaker and Wilton resident Marika LeFevre shares stories about Finland with children in grades 1 to 5 in International Folklore and Fantasy program on Saturday, May 1, from 2 to 3 p.m. Children under 12 must have a caregiver in the building. Registration is required; there is no fee. The program is sponsored by the Steve and Alison Sherman Family Fund. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

## **A town turns green**

A community-wide celebration of green living takes place on Sunday, May 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. all over town in the Wilton Go Green Festival. People will be enjoying activities in venues such as the Woodcock Nature Center, the library, the Town Green Gazebo and more. With 75 exhibitors and 25 speakers, workshops and activities that highlight the benefits of living green, people can participate in bike rides, a stroller derby, yoga, river walk, and film screenings to name just a few. The event is rain or shine. Lectures, seminars and many vendors will be at the library. For a full list of activities and to register, visit [www.wiltongogreenfestival.com](http://www.wiltongogreenfestival.com) or [www.wiltonlibrary.org/wilton-go-green-festival](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/wilton-go-green-festival), or call the library at 203-762-3950 ext. 213. The Wilton Go Green Festival is sponsored by a grant from the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund through the Community Innovation Grants Program. The day is hosted by the Wilton Energy Commission in partnership with Wilton Library, Ambler Farm, Cannon Grange, Wilton Conservation Commission, Wilton Clergy Association, Wilton Family Y, Wilton Garden Club, Wilton Public Schools, Woodcock Nature Center and Wilton Rotary Club. The documentary film, No Impact Man will be screened Wednesday, May 5, from 7 – 9 p.m., as a part of the

Festival. The screening is sponsored by the Betsy and Jesse Fink Foundation for Wilton Library's Environmental Initiative.

### **Story times from another country**

Children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers can hear stories from Poland, in Polish Story Times, a weekly Monday series, beginning May 3 through June 14, from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. Polish native Stasia Konarzewska shares her love of her culture and language with children of all backgrounds. Registration is required; there is no fee. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

### **Meet author and Wilton resident**

Author Michael Goodwin, a Wilton resident, celebrates the publication of his newest novel, *When Vultures Dance*, on Monday, May 3, from 6 to 7 p.m. in a new program at the library, Area Author Affair. The book is set in the world of Wall Street and high finance. The author has worked for more than seventeen years in investment banking. Books will be available for purchase and signing, and a reception will be held. There is no charge for the program. Registration is suggested. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 213.

### **Windy project**

Children in grades K through 2 get to learn about wind in *Sail Away*, on Tuesday, May 4, from 4 to 4:45 p.m. The Connecticut Science Center presents this program about wind. Children will make their own sailboats and then sail them down an obstacle course. The kids will get to keep their creations after the program. Registration is limited to children in grades K through 2 only. Caregivers must remain in the building. Registration is required; there is no fee. The program is sponsored by the Dibner Family Fund. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

### **Cinco de Mayo celebration**

On Cinco de Mayo (May 5) from 3:30 to 5 p.m., children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to celebrate the fun holiday with a performance by Fiesta del Norte Mariachi Duo. Dressed in traditional "charro" outfits, Fiesta's repertoire spans the many regions of Mexico, using authentic instruments from the different areas, such as guitar, vihuela, guitarron, violin, harp, bajosexto, trumpet, accordion and marimba, with lots and lots of singing. The program is sponsored by the Norman and Thelma Hacking Memorial Fund. Registration is required; there is no fee. To register: [www.wiltonlibrary.org/events](http://www.wiltonlibrary.org/events) or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

### **Spring chess club begins**

Spring Chess Club with instruction begins on Thursdays, May 6 through June 10. Children in grades 1 to 7 can sign-up for beginners classes from 4 to 5 p.m.; more advanced students in grades 3 to 7 can register for class from 5 to 6 p.m. Both classes are taught by Christopher Potts. The program fee is \$60 per student for the 6-week session. Registration must be in person in advance of the first class with payment due at the time of sign-up. Call 203-762-3950 ext. 217 for information.