

Library Lines

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Book sale begins

A huge collection of books perfect for the beach, the mountains, a cruise, or anywhere someone might vacation, are being offered at the library's Summer Book Sale today through Saturday, July 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The book sale is part of the town wide Wilton Sidewalk Sale Days. Fiction paperbacks and hardcover books are available, along with books for teens and younger children. As books are sold, more will be replenished from the library's Book Cellar. For information: 203-762-3950 ext. 213.

Wilton artists celebrate

The 66th annual Summer Show artists' reception takes place on Friday, July 9, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. celebrating all the Wilton artists featured in the exhibition which is two months long. More than 50 artists showcase their 100-plus works in a diverse range of styles, subject matters, and media. The exhibition runs through Aug. 27 with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the library. People are encouraged to attend the reception which is open to the public and congratulate their neighbors and friends. For information: 203-762-3950 ext. 213.

Kids' book group meets

The WINRs Circle gathers on Saturday, July 10, from 3 to 4 p.m. for children entering 4th through 6th grades. The Wilton Intermediate Nutmeg Readers is a group who meet every month to discuss the selected 2011 Nutmeg Award-nominated book. This month's choice is *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies. Kids are encouraged to come with friends, join in the discussion and munch on the pizzas donated by Wilton Pizza each month. Registration is required. Caregivers must remain in the building. The WINRs Circle program is made possible by a grant from HSBC Bank. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

Costumes to go

Author Holly Cleeland will demonstrate some fun costuming ideas for children on Monday, July 12, from 2 to 3 p.m. *Glue and Go Costumes for Kids*, based on Ms. Cleeland's book, is a fun, informative session in which both parents and children will come away with some fresh, creative thoughts. Two costumes will be given away at the end of the program. Registration is required; there is no fee. The program is sponsored by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

A royal night

Children of all ages are invited to the library to meet some princesses, have autographs signed, and watch a movie during Princess Movie Night, Monday, July 12, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The movie to be shown is Princess Stories. Caregivers must be present and are encouraged to bring cameras. There is no registration and no fee. The program is sponsored by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund.

Teens have a ball

Three programs this week keep teens engaged with some healthy activities. With Healthy Snacks for Teens on Tuesday, July 13, from 4 to 6 p.m., kids learn how to make an assortment of good foods to eat rather than cookies and junk food. Teens can then learn how to really chill with Deep Relaxation for Teens, on Wednesday, July 14, from 4 to 5 p.m. Kids will learn how to relax and relieve stress through breathing, acupuncture and meditation techniques. Having learned how to eat well, and how to relax, kids can now create beautiful surroundings for themselves with Kusudama Flower Balls for Teens on Thursday, July 15, from 4 to 6 p.m. Using old magazines, kids will learn how to transform paper squares into flowers. They can then bring home beautiful flower balls to decorate their rooms or dorms. All the programs mentioned above are for teens entering grades 7 through 12 and recent high school graduates. The programs are made possible by the John and Patricia Curran Teen Fund. To register for any of these programs, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 203-762-3950 ext. 213.

Concerts continue

The '50s, '60s and '70s vocal group, In Harmony, returns by popular demand to Wilton Library's 10th year of Summer Music & More outdoor concerts on Thursday, July 15, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. The group enlivens the crowd with its blend of harmonies and fun. Finger snapping, swaying, clapping and dancing are all encouraged while the group performs. Additional dates in the concert series: July 22 Cosmic Jibaros with Latin salsa/rock; July 29 Fast Lane Band with '60s & '70s Disco and Motown. In the event of rain or inclement weather, the concerts will be held in the Brubeck Room. The concerts are free and open to the public. The series is sponsored by The Village Market. Wine is donated by Michael Crystal, founder of the Grand Crew Wine Club. All refreshments are free.

More kids programs this week

The Readin', Ridin' & Ropin' – Go West summer reading program is well underway with many activities for kids this week and ongoing through the summer. Drop-in Summer Crafts are Mondays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; this week's Wild West Wednesdays features Wild West Stories on July 14, from 11 – 11:30 a.m. with Lesley Keogh for ages 5 – 10; Thrilling Thursdays on July 15 features Scavengers Hunts for ages 4 to 6, from 1:30 – 2 p.m.; ages 7 - 9, 2:15 – 2:45 p.m.; and ages 10 - 12, 3 – 3:30 p.m.; Fun Friday Flicks on July 16 showcases My Friend Rabbit, from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. and Percy Jackson: Lightning Thief at 2 p.m. The Dinosaur Club continues on Tuesday, July 13, from 4 to 5 p.m. For registration information on all these programs, visit www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 203-762-3950 ext. 217.

Reminder: Chance Browne and the Twinkies open the Summer Music & More Concert Series tonight from 5 – 6:30 p.m. Free concerts, refreshments and wine.