

Library Lines

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Lyme Disease documentary screening

The riveting Lyme Disease documentary, "Under Our Skin," will be shown in an encore screening on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Brubeck Room. This eye-opening film, an Audience Choice Award Finalist at the Tribeca Film Festival, follows the stories of patients and physicians as they battle for their lives and livelihoods in the fight against Lyme. Patients afflicted with the disease often face ridicule and alienation as they continue to be misunderstood and misdiagnosed. Difficult to test accurately, tens of thousands of people go undiagnosed - or misdiagnosed with such conditions as fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue, autism, MS and ALS. The doctors that treat them are often maligned by their peers. There is no charge. Registration is strongly recommended. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Art exhibition reflects children

Artist Elizabeth Lefevre has her opening reception for her art exhibition, "Children at Play," on Sunday, Nov. 2, from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the library. Ms. Lefevre divides her time between Paris and Wilton. It is her acrylics and oils from her time in the States that is represented in this exhibit. Her works will be on display through Friday, Nov. 28. The majority of her more than 30 pieces will be available for purchase, with the proceeds benefiting the library's art fund. The reception is open to the public. For information: 762-3950.

Van Gogh appreciation

The library and St. Matthew's Episcopal Church are sponsoring a bus trip to the Museum of Modern Art on Wednesday, Nov. 5 to see "Van Gogh and the Colors of Night," a collection of more than two dozen works. To complement the bus trip, the library is offering a lecture with Judson Scruton on Monday, Nov. 3, from 11 - noon on Van Gogh's well-known piece, "Starry Night." Attendees need not attend the bus trip to appreciate this seminar. There is no charge for Mr. Scruton's program. Advance registration is suggested. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950. The Wednesday bus trip leaves the library at 9:30 a.m. sharp and departs the museum at 3, returning to the library at 4:30 assuming no traffic delays. The trip includes transportation, museum admission, and a museum highlights tour. Lunch is on one's own, with a list of suggestions available to attendees. The cost is \$51 adults/\$48 seniors. Reservation availability is on a first come - first serve basis with space limited to 28. Reservations and payment must be made in advance. Attendees may call or come to the library to register. Credit cards are accepted. Refunds will be issued only if spaces are filled. Call 762-3950 to register and pay in advance.

Kid Pirates care for Earth

'Captain' Papillion, a national award-winning musician and storyteller who hails from New Orleans, visits the library on Monday, Nov. 3, from 4 - 5 p.m. with the program, Captain Papillion -A Pirate Who Cares About the Earth. Through music, stories and the imaginative milieu of pretend pirating, children can learn the values of caring for the earth and sea. Children of all ages are invited to join in the fun. Children under 8 must be accompanied by caregivers; children 8 - 12 years old must have caregivers remain in the building. The program is made possible by the Betsy and Jesse Fink Family Foundation for Wilton Library's environmental initiative. There is no program fee. Registration is required. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Creating superheroes

Children in grades 4 and up get to create their own cartoon superhero on Thursday, Nov. 6, from 4 - 5:30 p.m. in Learn to Draw Your Own Superhero. Working with a professional artist, children develop a comic book cell incorporating their own characters. All materials will be supplied by Art Spot of Danbury. The program is made possible by the Coyle Family Young Readers Fund. There is no program charge. Children under 12 must have caregivers remain in the building. Advance registration is required as space is limited. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Breaking free of oneself

On Thursday, November 6th, from 7 to 8:30 pm, author and psychotherapist Mel Schwartz, will share his insights on Embracing Uncertainty and harnessing disorder for personal growth. His talk will cover strategies for enlivening relationships, breaking free of comfort zones, shifting from states of being to becoming, increasing spontaneity and freeing oneself from issues of control and fear. He is the author of the acclaimed book, The Art of Intimacy, The Pleasure of Passion. He is in practice in Westport, CT and Mt. Kisco, NY. There is no charge for the program. Advance registration is suggested. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or call 762-3950.

Comstock Community Center update

On Saturday, Nov. 8, from 1 - 2:30 p.m., the League of Women Voters of Wilton and the library will present a panel discussion on the status of plans to redesign Comstock Recreation Center to accommodate both senior center requirements and the recreational needs of the general community. The panel will be comprised of Comstock Building Committee members Susan Bruschi (BOS liaison), Chris Finkelstein, Malcolm Whyte, and Judy Zucker. There is no charge. Advance registration is suggested. To register: www.wiltonlibrary.org/events or 762-3950.