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January, February, March 2020 WPL Newsletter

January Library Board meetings will be held this month, on the second Friday (10th) at 6:00 pm and on Saturday (18th) at 2:00 pm, both in our Conference Room downstairs. The Public is welcome to attend. Future meeting dates to be discussed and decided upon.

We have welcomed with open arms, our **new Director, Clevell Rosboro**. We are very enthused with what he wants to bring to our library and town. There are many plans in the works and we wish him great success. Thank you for supporting him, in his endeavors.

From Our Director: At this time, given the concerns expressed regarding the acquiring of new materials (ex. newly released books), we intend to resume the purchasing of new releases in the New Year/January 2020. Please keep in mind, that our budget limits our ability to meet all requests, especially during the second half of the fiscal year (October-to-June annually); as we explore new alternatives to prevent any disengagement in the acquirement of new material. We ask for your monetary support or if you would simply purchase and donate a book(s) or item, toward this initiative, we would very much appreciate this. Donations can be made in your name or someone else's. Thank you so kindly!

Coming Saturday, February 15th, 2020 from 4:00 - 8:00 pm: YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED 2 THE DANCE! Meet the new Library Director and new Library Board at this upcoming Meet-and-Greet! The Willington Public Library Staff invites patrons, to an informal meet-and-greet event where they can first learn more about "Cle" and the new Library Board members and share any thoughts or ideas they have about their local library. Followed by an evening of music, dancing, and appetizers (alcohol and non-alcohol beverages will be available/served).

We have so many generous people to give thanks for...

We would like to welcome our new library board and say thank you to their predecessors for all of their time, handwork, and dedication, to making the Willington Public Library a success.

"Thank you" to our many Volunteers, who are here every day, helping in whatever way they can to help us be at our best!

We would also like to thank the Venture Crew #8150, who did such a beautiful job at refinishing all of our outside seating benches; they look brand new again.

We would like to thank everyone who helped, in all the many ways needed, to make our 8th annual Craft's Fair & Bake Sale, such a great success. To each and everyone, we couldn't have done it without you! THANK YOU! Congratulations to our Vendor Baskets and 50/50 Drawing Winners!

On Saturday, February 8th, the Friends will be holding a **"Children's ONLY" Book Sale** in our Community Room, from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Friends of the Willington Public Library meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 11th** at 6:00 pm, in our Conference Room downstairs. Everyone is welcome to attend. We are always looking for members to join and help with raising money, for our Library's Programming.

We've had a few fun contests this Fall at the library... a Candy Jar Guessing Contest and a Painted Pumpkin Drawing. Congratulations to our winners!

Museum and Attraction Passes

Come in to check out our selection of Museum and Attraction Passes OR view them on line at www.willingtonpubliclibrary.org to see what we have to offer!

All passes listed on our website, have their own separate websites, which we suggest you check out and see what they are offering. They are always changing. Just click on Website to each individual pass, to get connected. These passes are provided by Friends of Willington Public Library.

We have many **Ongoing Programs** here at the Library. We hope you will take part in some or ALL. All programs are FREE to the public whether a Willington Resident or not. Donations are always welcomed. For more information about each individual program listed below, you may call for more details.

Adult Book Club: meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, in our Reading Room. Upcoming selections are:

January 2: "Letters from Paris" by Juliet Blackwell

February 6: "Lost Roses" by Martha Kelly Hall

March 5: "The President is Missing" by James Patterson and Bill Clinton

Looking ahead: April 2: "For Adam's Sake" by Allegra DiBonaventura

We entertain **Family Movie Times** on our BIG screen in the Community Room, on the last Saturday of the month (January 25, February 29, March 28). Look for our Movie Titles TBA

Knitting Group: meets every Tuesday in our Reading Room from 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Gentle Qigong class: meets every Thursday at 4:00 pm

Sound Healing & Meditation class: meets every third Tuesday of the month in our Community Room

Mommy & Me Play Group: meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 5:30 pm

Sing, Spell, Read & Write class: meets on the first and third Fridays of the month from 9:30 - 11:00 am.

Family Story & Craft Time: every first and second Saturday of the month from 10:00 - 11:00 am

Meet & Greet with Ollie our Library Guinea Pig on Tuesdays between 12:00 - 2:00 pm hosted by Miss Jen...IF he feels in the mood to come out of his house and play! You may bring in some fresh snacks to enjoy, like...blueberries, snow peas, melon, cucumber, tomato, Brussel sprouts and papaya. He loves his fresh fruits and veggies!

Do you think movies are better on the BIG SCREEN? **Our BIG Movie Screen** is available for your use and enjoyment. Let us know what movie (or you may provide your own) and a date/time and we will set up your very own movie showing for you and all your friends on the screen in our Community Room. Movie start time must allow for you to end before our regular closing time hours on the day it is shown.

We also have a beautiful working fireplace in our Reading Room. If you would like to come in and enjoy the cozy ambiance and beautiful view out our large windows, during this time of year. Grab a book, magazine, or newspaper and relax in peace and quiet.

Announcing: We now have Comic Books in our Circulation Collection.

Eastern CT Writers: meets on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 12:30 - 2:30 pm in the comfort of our Reading Room upstairs. Their monthly meeting is held on the first Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted. They offer a variety of program topics related to publishing, reading, and writing, along with guest speakers such as Authors, Publishers and Editors. All regarding books in our world today. For more info. go to...<https://easternconnecticutwriters.blogspot.com>

The US Census Bureau Decennial Census Job Opportunities Informational Program. Join the 2020 Census Team/Be a Census Taker. Interested in learning more about the upcoming Census job opportunities" Join Haley Celotti - Recruiting Assistant on Tuesday, January 2 at 12:00 - 3:00 pm and on Tuesday, February 6 at 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Read Across America is coming in March and we will be celebrating Dr. Suess' birthday on Saturday, the 7th during our Story & Craft Time at 10:00 am.

Saturday, March 21st, from 10:00 - 1:00 we will be having a **Spring Portrait Fundraiser!** With Spring and the Easter holiday right around the corner, this is a wonderful gift giving idea to share with the ones you love. The session fee is \$25.00 and it includes your session as well as one 5 x 7 print of your choice. You will review your portraits immediately after your session to choose your image and make additional purchases if you would like. A portion of all session fees as well as 10% of additional sales will go to the Library. Scheduling will be done on line with DLG Photography at www.DeannaGrady.com. Walk-

ins also welcome but scheduled preferred. Our last December event was spectacular and this is sure to be too.

We are proposing an **Indie Movie Showcase** to run once a month, either at noon on a Saturday or at 6:00 pm on a Tuesday or Thursday evening and Friday evenings are also being considered. If you think you would be interested in participating in this, please let us know if you have a preference to which day would be better for you. This could help in our decision of when to hold this event.

We are in need of well loved and yet, well made toys for our Children's area. Now that the holidays have passed, many of you may be going through and getting rid of your outgrown toys. Please think about donating them to your library. We would love to bring them back to life.

Things to look forward to...

Stay tuned for our all **new digital Podcast Library!**

A visit with **Author Sherry Chapman** (advocate for safe teen driving) with her most recent book, "How Much Big is the Sky: A Memoir of a Mother's Love and Unfathomable Loss".

We would like to bring to you, what you would like to see in programming. If you have any suggestions or have something you yourself can offer, please let us know. We would be happy to accommodate, if at all possible.

During these winter months, notice of delays and closings, as well as program cancelations due to inclement weather, can be found on our website: www.willingtonpubliclibrary.org or WFSB-TV Channel 3 (or WFSB.com) and NBC 30 WVIT (or NBC30.com). Updates can also be found on Facebook - like us at www.Facebook.com/willingtonpubliclibrary.