



ALL LIBRARY PROGRAMS ARE FREE!

HOURS:
 Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays:
 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
 Thursdays: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
 Fridays: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
 Saturdays: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Baby Steps
 (ages birth to 18 mos)
Wednesdays
 May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

DERBY Public Library

May 10th
 6:30 - 7:30 pm



The Town of Iron Toys

MAY

- 2 TUESDAY**
 1:00 pm **Tuesday Movie Matinee**, *Cast Away* starring Tom Hanks

- 3 WEDNESDAY**
 10:00 am **Baby Steps** (ages birth to 18 mos) - a first introduction to story time featuring songs, rhymes and interactive play to foster developmental and early literacy skills. Siblings are welcome
 6:00-7:30 pm **Resume "Right-ing"** Participants can either start from scratch or bring copies of their existing resumes and cover letters for review and optimizing

- 9 TUESDAY**
 1:00 pm **Tuesday Movie Matinee**, *Scully* starring Tom Hanks
 3:00-4:00 pm **Tech Time** Bring your tech-related question

- 10 WEDNESDAY**
 10:00 am **Baby Steps** (ages birth to 18 mos) - a first introduction to story time featuring songs, rhymes and interactive play to foster developmental and early literacy skills. Siblings are welcome
 6:30-7:30 pm **The Town of Iron Toys**. Richard Donahue shares the history of J & E Stevens Co., the largest manufacturer of cast-iron toys in the country

- 11 THURSDAY**
 10:00 am - Noon **Sports Talk** with The Silver Sluggers

- 13 SATURDAY**
 9:15 am **New Haven Symphony Orchestra**, *Creating Musical Readers* series featuring: Anna Leunis playing the violin and reading/playing to the book *Lon Po Po****

- 16 TUESDAY**
 1:00 pm **Tuesday Movie Matinee**, *Apollo 13* starring Tom Hanks
 4:00 pm **Create STEAM for Tweens/Teens** featuring a Robotic Hand

- 17 WEDNESDAY**
 10:00 am **Baby Steps** (ages birth to 18 mos) - a first introduction to story time featuring songs, rhymes and interactive play to foster developmental and early literacy skills. Siblings are welcome
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- 23 TUESDAY**
 1:00 pm **Tuesday Movie Matinee**, *A Man Called Otto* starring Tom Hanks
 3:00-4:00 pm **Tech Time** Bring your tech-related questions

- 24 WEDNESDAY**
 10:00 am **Baby Steps** (ages birth to 18 mos) - a first introduction to story time featuring songs, rhymes and interactive play to foster developmental and early literacy skills. Siblings are welcome

- 25 THURSDAY**
 10:00 am - Noon **Sports Talk** with The Silver Sluggers
 1:00 pm **Book Discussion**, *The Mystery of Mrs. Christie* by Marie Benedict

- 29 MONDAY**
 The Library will be closed in honor of **Memorial Day**

- 30 TUESDAY**
 1:00 pm **Tuesday Movie Matinee**, *A Man Called Otto* starring Tom Hanks

- 31 WEDNESDAY**
 10:00 am **Baby Steps** (ages birth to 18 mos) - a first introduction to story time featuring songs, rhymes and interactive play to foster developmental and early literacy skills. Siblings are welcome
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May 2023

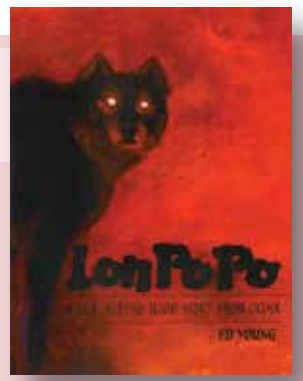
Join Cromwell, CT Town Historian, Richard Donahue, as he shares the history of J & E Stevens Company, the largest manufacturer of cast-iron toys in the country. The presentation will include an interactive demonstration of twenty cast-iron banks. When John and Elisha Stevens formed the J & E Stevens Company in Cromwell in 1843, they intended to manufacture cast-iron hardware, hammers, and a few iron toys. They started with iron banks that performed an action when the coins were deposited into them. Mechanical banks quickly became popular with both children and adults throughout America and beyond and are still highly collectible today. The success the brothers found in producing those few iron toys changed their business plan and the company focused on making a wide variety of toys during their 100 year history.

May 16 @ 4:00 pm

STEAM
 for Tweens/Teens
 featuring a Robotic Hand kit



May 13th @ 9:15 am
 NHSO Creating Musical Readers Series featuring a different musician and instrument each month along with a story. This month Anna Leunis - she'll be playing the violin - reading the book "Lon Po Po". All ages welcomed. Registration is required.



MAY IS TOM HANKS MOVIE MONTH!
 Two-time Oscar winner, Tom Hanks stars in some of his best movie roles in May:

- MAY 2: CAST AWAY
- MAY 9: SULLY
- MAY 16: APOLLO 13
- MAY 23: A MAN CALLED OTTO
- MAY 30: CAPTAIN PHILLIPS

MAY BOOK DISCUSSION

Join us on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 1:00 PM to discuss the mysterious 1926 disappearance of murder mystery author, Agatha Christie, as told in Marie Benedict's gripping New York Times bestseller, *The Mystery of Mrs. Christie* (Amazon Best Book of 2021). The Washington Post notes that "this is a stunning story that has an ingenious ending . . . it's possible that Benedict has brought to life the most plausible explanation for why Christie disappeared for 11 days in 1926." Multiple copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk. Weather permitting, discussion may be held outdoors during the warmer months. Registration is requested. To sign up or to obtain further information, feel free to contact us at 203-736-1482. Drop-ins are also welcome.



TECH TIME

Tuesdays
 5/9 3:00 - 4:00 pm
 5/23 3:00 - 4:00 pm
 Bring your tech-related questions. We have solutions for you . . .

Resume "Right-ing"

Wednesdays May 3, 17 and 31
 Resume appointments may also be made by emailing dpreference@biblio.org

Preview of Summer Reading

WITH SINCERE GRATITUDE

Summer Reading Sign-up & Birthday Party Monday, June 19

Stop by on the first day to sign-up for Summer Reading on Monday, June 19!

June 19 is also the birthdate of Harcourt Wood. Did you know that the Derby Public Library is also called the Harcourt Wood Memorial Library? Harcourt was a boy from Derby who sadly died when he was only 11 years old in 1892. In 1902, Harcourt's mother and father, Alice and Holton Wood, originally donated the land, money and building to establish the Derby Public Library.

The Woods asked that the library be named for their beloved son and that each year the library would celebrate his birthday, June 19, with cake and flowers. For 120 years, the Derby Public Library has honored this tradition. We welcome you to visit on June 19 for some cake in honor of Harcourt! And while you're here, please sign-up for summer reading for Children, Adults & Young Adults!



The Derby Public Library would like to recognize the generous donation bequeathed to the Children's Department by the family of longtime Derby grammar school teacher, Rita Rae Keefe.

Ms. Keefe passed away in November, 2022 and in her obituary, memorial contributions were requested for the Children's Department of the Derby Public Library in her name. Rita Keefe was a grammar school teacher and reading specialist for the Derby Board of Education for 37 years, until her retirement in 2007. Ms. Keefe dedicated her life to the education of children and inspired many students from her classrooms at Lincoln and Irving Schools. Having a strong social conscience, Ms. Keefe advocated for women's issues, social justice and equality for all people. She was a voracious reader and read every Sunday New York Times, cover to cover. Together with her husband, Joe, she traveled the world and experienced countless adventures, locally and abroad. After conferring with the Keefe family, Children's Librarian, Sue Sherman wanted to honor this generous donation with learning and educational items which would last a long time. Check out the new Animal Alphabet rug located in the picture book area of the Children's Department as well as interactive magnetic letter board and a new two-sided artist's easel with a chalkboard on one side and paper, crayons, and art supplies on the other so young minds can learn and be creative!



Join us on Saturday, June 24 from 10 am - 1 pm for our 2023 Summer Reading Outdoor Kick-Off!

Located on the front lawn of the Derby Public Library!

- Cornhole! Hopscotch! Hula-Hooping! Karaoke!
- Library Card Sign-Up! Jump Rope!
- Sidewalk Chalk Drawing!
- Games! Prizes! . . . and much more!



ALSO THIS SUMMER: Fun & interactive programs:



MYSTIC AQUARIUM TOUCH TANK

Enjoy fun, active learning with hands-on investigation of live invertebrates such as lobsters, horseshoe crabs and shellfish from the Mystic Aquarium!



ZOOMOBILE FROM THE BEARDSLEY ZOO

We welcome live animal ambassadors to the library. Enjoy an experience only living creatures can provide as you meet and touch amazing animals and examine rare artifacts.

Other events & programs: Story Walks, DIY Table, Crafting Programs & Scavenger Hunts

GIGGLING PIG ART CLASS FOR TEENS AND ADULTS!

Create a special art project guided by The Giggling Pig staff.

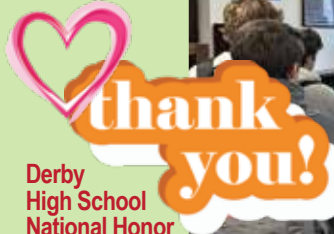


Jeff Belanger returns to DPL!

Author, adventurer, and explorer of the unexplained, Jeff Belanger thrilled us last summer at DPL with his program, *The Legends of New England*. This summer, Jeff returns to talk about his life changing experience climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro. After his brother-in-law Chris passed away, Jeff made the decision to take the trip of a lifetime, both in honor of Chris and in pursuit of clarity about his own life and goals. One of the famed Seven Summits, Mt. Kilimanjaro in east Africa has been on Jeff's radar since childhood. Based on his memoir, *The Call of Kilimanjaro: Finding Hope Above the Clouds*, this performance offers a multimedia tour of Tanzania and the great mountain that has inspired so many. Spiritual, motivational, and uplifting, this program will take you up 19,341 feet to Africa's highest peak and back home again. You can watch Jeff share part of his Kilimanjaro story on PBS's *Stories from the Stage*.



Plus: Monthly Book Discussion Group, Silver Slugger Meetings (summer schedule: every other week), Resume "Writing", Tech Time, Music & Movies.



Derby High School National Honor Society



Derby Public Library Director, Scott Brill, accepts the service project donation from the Derby High School National Honor Society.



We at the Derby Public Library are very grateful that the Derby High School National Honor Society raised \$400 to donate to the Derby Public Library at their recent Family Feud-style game show night and by selling concessions during lunch at the High School. DHS, valedictorian, Cayla Cayer-McCarthy noted "how exciting it was for the NHS to be able to help out the community, and thought that donating the money raised to our local library would be the best!" Members of the National Honor Society and two of their advisors, Jennifer Ostrosky and Adam Baker, recently visited the Derby Public Library by school bus to deliver the donation in person. Library Director, Scott Brill, along with Young Adult Librarian, Tony Delos, gave the NHS a tour of the Derby Public Library, which is celebrating its 120th anniversary this year. The \$400 raised by the DHS NHS will be used to purchase the 2024 Nutmeg Book Award nominated books for the Derby Public Library's collection. Co-sponsored by the Connecticut Library Association and the Connecticut Association of School Librarians, the Nutmeg Book Award nominating committee comprises Children's and YA librarians and School Library Media Specialists throughout Connecticut, who create a list of ten books for each school age range. Students from across the state then vote to choose the winners of the Nutmeg Book Award. Past YA Nutmeg Book Award winners have included *Paper Towns* by John Green, *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline and *Sadie* by Courtney Summers. We at the Derby Public Library are very grateful for the National Honor Society's donation, as it is an honor to be able to utilize the money to develop the YA collection of the Derby Public Library.