

HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 10am-8pm Friday - Saturday 10am-5pm Sunday 1pm-5pm

Closed Dec. 31, Jan. 1 & 2 2022 for New Year's Closed Jan. 17 for MLK Jr. Day

And when the weather outside is frightful...

Check the Library website and Facebook page for info Closings also posted on WFSB TV

January 2022 Newsletter

HAPPY NEW YEAR! FROM YOUR CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

2022 is a good year to get your very own library card. If you are 5 years old, live in Ellington, and have your parent's permission. . . you can get a library card with your name on it. Your library card can be used at any public library in Connecticut AND it's FREE.

Saturday, January 22, 10:30-11:30, the **Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs** will once again be here to listen to you read a favorite story or the chapter of a favorite book. These therapy dogs and their handlers have been specially trained to interact with you and to be good listeners as you practice your reading skills. They also enjoy a good story.

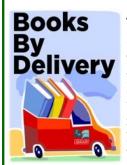
Read those **Nutmeg Nominees for 2022**. Voting will take place in April for your favorite. That gives you four more months to enjoy some awesome books written with you in mind. For those in second and third grades, there are 15 titles being considered for the Nutmeg Award. For fourth through sixth grades, there are 10 titles in the running. Hall Memorial Library has them all. **Get Reading!!**

VIRTUAL FREE LEGAL ADVICE CLINICS

The Connecticut Bar Association (CBA) is offering Connecticut residents an opportunity to register for a free, 30 minute virtual consultation with a Connecticut attorney to obtain legal advice and information in a variety of legal areas. There are no income or asset eligibility restrictions. The registration cut-off date is 1/18/22.



HOME DELIVERY SERVICE



The Hall
Memorial Library
offers delivery
and pick up of
Library materials
to any Ellington
resident who is
homebound.
"Homebound" is
defined as

someone who, because of a permanent or temporary disability, is unable to visit the Library on his/her own without assistance, and does not have anyone who can pick up or deliver materials to him/her on a regular basis. If you or someone you know may benefit from this service, call Sue at 860-870-3160 or email thallmlib@ellington-ct.gov.

COMMUNITY SURVEY

The start of a new year is an exciting time full of dreams, resolutions and plans for the future. As we here at the Library work on our plans to serve you for the year ahead we would like to invite you to share your thoughts and ideas. What would you like to see at the Library? We would like the Library to help you fill the needs in your life. What can we do for you? We don't know until we ask—so we are. For the month of January, the Library will be conducting a survey of our community. You may access the survey online. You



may also fill out a paper version; they will be available at the Library, the Town Hall and the Senior Center. Or we can mail one to you. We hope you will take a few minutes and fill out the survey and help us evaluate the library's service. Survey participants are eligible to be entered into a drawing to win one of 6 prizes. Each prize is a \$25 gift card from local merchants. This survey is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Call 860-870-3160 or email hallmlib@ellington-ct.gov with any questions.

Please visit the HML Calendar, www.library.ellington-ct.gov, for all program details and registrations. Questions may be directed to 860 870 3160. All Zoom links will be emailed upon registration. Facebook Live programs are viewable without a Facebook account.

FAMILIES



Learn To Play the Dulcimer with Carolyn Brodginski Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 6:30pm **Upstairs Room**

Registration is required. Limited instruments available.

TEENS



Hogwarts Virtual Escape Room Thursday, Jan. 20 at 6:30pm Zoom

CHILDREN



Read to the Dogs Sat. Jan. 22 at 10:30am Children's Room Registration and masks required.



After-School Chess Club For Kids Tuesdays, 4:30-6:00pm Children's Room

Girl Scouts Winter Craft Adventure Sunday, Jan. 23 at 2pm Children's Program Room

Ages 6-13. Register by Friday, Jan. 14. Hosted by Girl Scout Troops 10722 and 10725.

ADULTS



Movie Day: Cry Macho Wednesday, Jan. 5 at 6:30pm Thursday, Jan. 6 at 1pm **Upstairs Room**



Movie Day: The Many Saints of Newark Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 6:30pm Thursday, Jan. 20 at 1pm **Upstairs Room**

Estate Planning: What You Need To Know Monday, Jan. 10 at 6:30pm **Upstairs Room**

You will leave knowing how to build or update an estate plan that will protect your assets. Registration is required.

Back Again! Felted Wool Snowman with Angelina Fleury Tuesday, Jan. 11 at 6pm **Upstairs Room**

All materials will be provided. Registration is required. There will be a \$5 non-refundable materials fee for this class, payable within 5 days of registration.



Writers' Workshop Group Tuesday, Jan. 18 at 6:30pm Children's Program Room



CHARLES HML Book Discussion – "Great Expectations" by Charles Dickens GREAT Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 7pm McKnight Room

Taxes: Upcoming Changes & the Effect on Your Retirement

Monday, Jan. 24 at 6pm **Upstairs Room**

Investment Advisor Michael Alimo of USA Financial will discuss current tax law and strategies to get to as close to "tax-free" in retirement as possible.



Knit and Natter Handcraft Group Tuesdays, 10am McKnight Room



HML Bridge Club Wednesdays, 1:30pm McKnight Room

Ellington Human Services Office Hours with Elderly Outreach Social Worker Rebecca Stack Third Wednesday of every month (Jan. 19) at 10am - 1pm McKnight Room



Veterans Coffeehouse Third Thursday of every month (Jan. 20) at 10:30am, McKnight Room