

September  
2024



Open again on Saturday  
starting September 7!



# Putnam Public Library

We had a fabulous summer at the library! 408 children signed up for the reading program and 95 finished; 52 teens and 91 adults also participated in summer reading. We had programs from reptiles to Mohegan traditions and the school's dining services served 3,256 meals in 39 days.

More 140th birthday history...In July of 1948 the Board approved the purchase of the Bosworth property for a new library. On August 12 the Town Meeting voted the purchase. It was not until December 15, 1953 that an appropriation was made to build. Mr. Henry Schrab Kelly was engaged as architect and on September 1, 1954 the contract for the construction was signed with the Coleman Construction Company. It seemed to be a happy coincidence that the building was to be completed in 1955, the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the township of Putnam.

The building suffered severe damage in the Flood of August of 1955. Fortunately the library materials had not been moved to the new building yet and so the dedication was delayed until December 2, 1956. Abbie Scott was the librarian from 1932 to 1962 and was succeeded by Millicent Beausoleil, who retired in 1979. A new Children's wing was dedicated on December

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**ASPINOCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**BOOK TALK BY  
RYAN C. WALKER**

**WEDNESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 18  
6:00 - 7:30PM**  
(ARRIVE EARLY TO CHAT WITH THE AUTHOR.)

**THE SILENT SERVICE'S FIRST HERO**  
THE FIRST SUBMARINER TO RECEIVE THE MEDAL OF HONOR  
RYAN C. WALKER

RYAN'S BOOK IS A DEEP DIVE INTO THE LIFE OF PUTNAM'S HENRY BREAUULT, WHO RECEIVED THE FIRST SUBMARINER MEDAL OF HONOR.

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*Celebrating  
140 Years!  
(1884-2024)*

**Fashions of the Gilded Age**

"JOIN US FOR AN EXCITING JOURNEY THROUGH TIME AS WE EXPLORE THE FASHIONS OF THE GILDED AGE, FOCUSING ON THE 1870S AND '80S BUSTLE PERIODS, THE '90S, AND THE EARLY 20TH CENTURY."

**SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER  
1:00 - 2:30**

Presented by costume historian & fashion specialist Ren Antonowicz (SpiritsOfFashion.com)

Call 860-963-6826 to Register!

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## Mission Statement

The Putnam Public Library serves the needs of the community by providing free access to a diversity of ideas, information, and experiences with the goal of promoting the love of reading, the joy of lifelong learning, and engagement with the arts, sciences, and humanities.

## Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 10 am-8 pm  
Friday 10 am-5 pm  
Saturdays 10 am- 3 pm  
Closed on Saturday July and August  
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Putnam, CT 06260  
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**SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS, CHILDREN'S**  
**CLOSED MONDAY, 9/2/24****Ages 3-8: Registration required. MONDAY—SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER**  
**CRAFT TO GO PICKUP 9/3-9/7 BUSINESS HOURS****Ages 1 & up: Walk In Program. FIRST Saturday IN SEPT., OCT., NOV.**  
**MUSIC & MOVEMENT with FRC 9/7, 10/5, 11/2 10:00-10:45****Ages 0-3: Registration required. 15 MONDAY spots available.**  
**TINA'S TINY TOTS with Miss Tina! 11:00-11:30**  
**9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4, 11/18, 12/2, 12/9****Ages 3-5: Registration required. 15 TUESDAY spots available.**  
**STORY TIME with Miss Tina! 4:30-5:00**  
**9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10****Ages 0-3: Registration required. 15 THURSDAY spots available.**  
**TINA'S TINY TOTS with Miss Tina! 11:00-11:30**  
**9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 12/5, 12/12****Ages 3-5: Registration required. 15 FRIDAY spots available.**  
**STORY TIME with Miss Tina! 11:00-11:30**  
**9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 12/6, 12/13****Ages 6-12: Registration required. 5 MONDAY spots available.**  
**EXPLORING THE HARP with Marie! 9/30 4:30-5:00****SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS, PRE-TEEN/TEEN (AGES 8-16)**  
**CLOSED MONDAY, 9/2/24****Ages 3-8: Registration required. MONDAY—SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER**  
**CRAFT TO GO PICKUP 9/3-9/7 BUSINESS HOURS****Ages 8-16: Registration required. MONDAY in September.**  
**EDIBLE CRAFT Scarecrow Cupcakes! 9/16 5:30-6:30****Ages 8-16: Registration required. THURSDAY in September.**  
**WEREWOLF Detective Game! 9/19 5:00-6:00****Ages 8-16: Registration required. MONDAY in September.**  
**CRAFT Pokémon Bookmark! 9/23 5:30-6:30****Ages 8-16: Registration required. THURSDAY in September.**  
**COMIC CREATOR Drawing Collab Fun! 9/26 5:00-6:00****Ages 6-12: Registration required. 5 MONDAY spots available.**  
**EXPLORING THE HARP with Marie! 9/30 4:30-5:00****Putnam Library Has  
The CT Driver's Manual  
Available For Circulation!**

**September Book Discussions**

**Evening Discussion**  
Wed. Sept. 25th, 5:30  
**Crow Mary**  
Kathleen Grissom

**Afternoon Discussion**  
Tues. Sept. 4th, 12:30  
**The Hammer of Eden**  
Ken Follett

**Hale YMCA**  
Fri. Sept. 13th, 11:30  
**The Wind Knows My Name**  
Isabel Allende

**Ella Grasso Apartments**  
Fri. Sept. 20th, 1:00  
**Remarkably Bright Creatures**  
Shelby Van Pelt

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**Thank You for your  
sponsorship this  
summer!**Deary Bros/Mike's Stand,  
Friends of the PPL, Leona's Bakery,  
M's Boutique, Main St Gelato,  
Nikki's Dog House, Sparrow Soaps  
and Woodstock Creamery

You made the summer very special!

**New Books**An Eye for an Eye— Jeffrey Archer  
Death at the Sign of the Rook— Kate Atkinson  
Safe Enough: and other stories— Lee Child  
The Night We Lost Him— Laura Dave  
Fatal Intrusion— Jeffery Deaver  
Eleanore of Avignon— Elizabeth DeLozier  
Capture or Kill— Vince Flynn  
The Bookshop— Evan Friss (nonfiction)  
The Life Impossible— Matt Haig  
Den of Iniquity— J.A. Jance  
On the Hunt— Iris JohansenSomewhere Beyond the Sea— T.J. Klune  
The Forest of Lost Souls— Dean Koontz  
Santa's Secret— Fern Michaels  
The Seventh Veil of Salome— Silvia Moreno-Garcia  
Here One Moment— Liane Moriarty  
Confronting the Presidents— Bill O'Reilly  
We Solve Murders— Richard Osman  
Lies He Told Me— James Patterson  
Playground— Richard Powers  
Passions in Death— J.D. Robb  
Counting Miracles— Nicholas Sparks  
Tell Me Everything— Elizabeth Strout