

# HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

93 MAIN STREET, ELLINGTON, CONNECTICUT  
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## NEW ITEMS AND EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

Starting in September, you will be able to sign up to receive email notifications of new materials added to the library collections. There will be lists for adult fiction, adult nonfiction, young adult books, children's books, DVDs, audiobooks, and music CDs. You will also be able to sign up for email notification of upcoming library events and programs. You may register for one, some or all of these lists. Visit the library website at [www.biblio.org/ellington](http://www.biblio.org/ellington) for more information.

And don't forget the other great online services offered to make your life easier! Library Elf is an email notification service that alerts you to upcoming due dates, to help you manage your library materials and avoid overdue fines. As part of the main circulation system program, you may also register to receive your notices by email in case you do have something overdue. And you may renew your items, check the catalog, and place holds all from the library website. Check it out!



## 2009 PICTURE PERFECT CALENDAR

The votes are in and the winning photos for the 2009 Ellington Picture Perfect calendar have been sent off to the printer. Calendars will be available for purchase in early November.

## ITEMS FOR SALE AT THE LIBRARY

Have you ever wondered where to purchase a copy of the Images of America History of Ellington by Lynn Kloter Fahy? How about "The Supermarket" movie, made by Tim Norman and Matt Jenkins? Or postcards of Ellington landmarks? All these items are available for sale at the library.

## TAMIL BOOKS

The library has added 24 children's books that are written in both English and Tamil. Tamil is the native language of many of our residents who have emigrated from India. During the past year, a group of children have been meeting with a teacher in the library to learn this language. The books are shelved in the picture book area in the Children's Department.

## KNITTING CLASS

Knitting is back in style! The library is offering a free class for knitters of all skills—even those with no skills! Sessions will be held on Thursday nights, October 23, 30 and November 6, starting at 7:00 pm. Stop in to register and get a supply list.

## AUTHOR TO VISIT LIBRARY

On Thursday, October 2, at 7:00 pm, author M. William Phelps will visit the library to talk about his new book, Nathan Hale: The Life and Death of America's First Spy. Mr. Phelps is an investigative journalist and best-selling author of seven true-crime books. He has appeared on dozens of national radio and television programs, including Court TV, The Discovery Channel, Good Morning America, Geraldo at Large and Montel Williams, and has consulted for the Showtime cable television series Dexter. He lives in Ellington.



## ANNUAL COMMUNITY TREE FESTIVAL

It's not too early to start thinking about the annual Community Tree Festival at the library. Groups and individuals are encouraged to participate. Trees will be set up during the week of November 24 and displayed December 1-19. Start your imagination!

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Library will hold a Fall Book Sale October 2-5 in the upstairs meeting room and the Book Cellar. There will be hundreds of books available for sale at \$8.00 per full bag. Thursday evening, 5:30-7:00, will be a special preview sale. Hours are Friday and Saturday, 10:00 am-4:00 pm, and Sunday, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm. Beautiful locally grown mums will also be available on Friday and Saturday.



### YA CORNER

Teens will be howling with delight this fall at the library! A new teen advisory board is forming and teens can come pick up an application in the young adult area. We'll be accepting completed applications through September 14. We'll be celebrating "*Books With Bite @ Your Library*" during Teen Read Week, October 12-18. Students in grades 7-12 are invited to come to a candy making program, take a look at new "*Books With Bite*", enter a daily drawing for prizes, or come to a horror/fantasy book talk on October 16 at 7:00 pm featuring *Something Wicked This Way Comes*, by Ray Bradbury. We'll have a \$25.00 gift card to the mall to give away as a door prize at the book discussion! We have prizes, laughs and food...what more could a teen ask for?

### FROM THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

What a wonderful summer we had at the library! Over 170 children caught the reading bug between July 7 and August 20. Extra special thanks goes out to the Friends of the Hall Memorial Library who sponsored such educational and fun-filled programs as Mad Science, The Bat Lady-Geri Griswold, The Art and Science of Beekeeping-Stonewall Apiary, The Magic of Dan Bowen, "Stinkbug Bugaloo" – Mary Jo Maichack, and "Earthworms, Doodlebugs and Dirt" – Young Audiences of CT. It was a summer of fun, learning, and lots of reading!

Now it's time to shift gears. Fall is around the corner. Preschool story hours for 2-½ year olds and 3-5 year olds will begin October 7 and go through November 21, 2008. These are age appropriate programs led by the Children's Librarian that include stories, songs, fingerplays, and movement activities. Registration is required for both programs and will begin September 22. You may register in person or by phone at 870-3160.

Truck Day has been planned for Saturday, October 11 from 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon. This is a FREE program geared for children and their families. Trucks of all kinds will be parked in the library parking lot for kids of all ages to sit in and maybe beep the horns. Come enjoy the fun!



For children in the 4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> grades, there will be a book discussion of *The City of Ember* by Jeanne Duprau on Thursday, October 16 beginning at 4:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. This program will be led by teacher, writer, and storyteller, Jim Harriman. Multiple copies of the book will be available at the library for checkout prior to the program. Come join in the discussion!

And then comes Halloween! Be on the lookout for the telling of some really spooky and some really silly, scary stories for the end of October. Plans are being made as we speak.

For more information on these and other children's programs check out our website: [www.biblio.org/ellington](http://www.biblio.org/ellington).

### FALL-WINTER HOURS

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| Monday-Thursday | 10AM-8PM |
| Friday-Saturday | 10AM-5PM |
| Sunday          | 1PM-5PM  |

### HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

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| September 1    | Labor Day    |
| October 13     | Columbus Day |
| November 27-28 | Thanksgiving |