

# Books and Happenings

The Newsletter of the Friends of the Silas Bronson Library

## MAY 2015



## "Saving Lives

Preventing Suicide"



## Saving Lives – Remembering Ken

A suicide prevention program entitled "Saving Lives – Preventing Suicide" will be presented in the library auditorium Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in remembrance of Ken Marder, a reference librarian who died last August. Hosted by Janine Sullivan-Wiley, Executive Director of the Northwest Regional Mental Health Board, Inc.; the program will feature a special presentation on "QPR (Question, Persuade and Refer)", a nationally recognized training which teaches ordinary people the three steps to prevent suicide. Thomas J. Steen, Executive Director of the Capital Area Substance Abuse Council (CASAC) will give the presentation.

Ken, a New Haven native with a master's degree from Yale School of Public Health and a master's degree in Library and Information Science from Southern Connecticut State University, was employed by the library for seventeen years, during which time he was responsible for the art exhibits and served as the SCORE liaison. He is greatly missed. His niece Emily Reim Ifrach, an Art Therapist, will present paintings she made in memory of her uncle.

Those seeking more suicide prevention training may also opt for the "Mental Health First Aid" program that will be offered by the Northwest Regional Mental Health Board at their offices at 969 West Main St., Suite 1B, Waterbury on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. For information and registration for the 8-hour training, contact Joann at (203) 757-9603 or Janine at jsw@nwrmhb-ct.org with "MHFA Waterbury" in the subject line.

The May 7<sup>th</sup> library program, held in conjunction with Mental Health Awareness Month, is free and open to the public. Evening parking is also free. Questions concerning the program may be referred to Anita Bologna at 203 574-8233.

### Calendar of Events

May 2 10 a.m. Auditorium LVA Alphabet Explorers May 4 6 p.m. Auditorium Sisters to Sisters Book Club May 5, 12, 19, 26 10 a.m. Children's Storytime Plus

May 6, 13, 20, 27 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room) Babies and Books

May 6 6:30 p.m. Auditorium "Calling All Poets speaker" Dana Sonnenschein, Ph.D.

May 7, 14, 21, 28 10 a.m. Auditorium Mother Goose

May 7 6:30 p.m. Auditorium Suicide Prevention program "Saving Lives and Preventing Suicide"

May 11, 18 5 p.m. Auditorium Brass City Toastmasters

May 16 1 p.m. Children's Room "Song, Dance, and the Possiblities" with Brian Gillie

May 25 Library Closed Memorial Day Mayl 26 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room

Board of Agents meeting



#### NEWS FROM "THE READERS GARDEN" BOOKSTORE

Unlike our surrounding sister libraries, we do not have the resources to offer an annual book sale. So, instead, we have set up our book store as an ongoing book sale. All books on the shelves are priced at \$1 for hardcovers and 50 cents for any size paperback. All books on the tables have sticker prices and they range from 10 cents to \$2. From time to time, we may have books on a special subject i.e., gardening as our thoughts turn to planting. We also have on our shelves, CDs, DVDs, VHSs, and books on tape; all are sticker priced.

The cart holds hardcover and paperbacks at sharply reduced prices, hardcovers 25 cents and 50 cents, and paperbacks, 10 cents. These books are sticker priced.

The book store is available during all opening library hours, and payment for your purchases may be made at the circulation desk.

We appreciate your support. All proceeds support the library's many programs and services, especially those for children.

## Sisters to Sisters Book Club Book

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God HAS SPOKEN by Theresa A. Campbell

Library Auditorium -Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m. How hard is it to forgive?



After finding the biological parents who abandoned her as a baby, Dupree is determined to have nothing to do with them. But then her mother, Tiny, suffers a vicious attack and a serious sickness, and prays for death . . . until God

speaks.

The program and evening parking are free.



## Calling All Poets (... and poetry lovers)



Library Auditorium Wednesday,



May 6 - 6:30 p.m. Featured poet – Dana Sonnenschein, Ph.D.

**Dana Sonnenschein** is a full professor at Southern Connecticut State University where she teaches literature and creative writing. Her prize-

winning publications include creative non-fiction ("Figuration," winner of the Robert J. DeMott Prose Contest, 2005) and poetry ("Bear Country", winner of the 2008 NFSPS Stevens Manuscript Award, and "Corvus", winner of the Quentin R. Howard prize, 2003). Other published works include the poetry collections *Natural Forms* (2006) and *No Angels But These* (2005), and individual poems in journals such as *Epoch* and *Feminist Studies*.

Theme: It might as well be Spring! Open mike signup - 6:20 p.m.

### In the Display Case

The work of Waterbury artist and glass blower Jonathan Amici is on display in May. During his seven years as a glass blower, Amici has made small and medium vases.



jars, bowls, and Christmas ornaments but specializes in glass eggs with colorful abstract designs.

### In the Gallery

Award-winning photographer Ron DiLaurenzio of Bethlehem exhibits his work this month in the library Gallery. Much of DiLaurenzio's work reflects his love of nature, but his diverse



interests include machinery, architecture, and, recently, street photography. He has won first, second, and third place ribbons at the Bethlehem Fair and was most recently the runner-up in the Northeast section of the "Hunt for Americana" contest sponsored by Great American TV.



## **RECENTLY PURCHASED BOOKS**

#### **JUVENILE**

"The Bear ate your Sandwich" Julia Sarcone-Roach (JP Sarcone-Roach, J.)
"Last Stop on Market Street" Matt De La Pena (JP De La Pena, M.)
"Red: A Crayon's Story"Michael Hall (JP Hall, M.)
"Sleeping Cinderellas and Other Princess Mix-Ups" Stephanie Clarkson (JP Clarkson, S.)
"Sparky!"Jenny Offill (JP Offill, J.)
"Worst in Show"William Bee (JP Bee, W.)
YOUNG ADULT
"Ask the Dark"Henry Turner (Fic Turner, H.)
"The Bullet Catch". Amy & David Axelrod (Fic Axelrod, A.)
"The Cemetery Boys"Heather Brewer (Fic Brewer, H.)
"Dead To Me"Mary McCoy (Fic McCoy, M.)
"Denton Little's Death Date"Lance Ruben (Fic Ruben, L.)
"Honey Girl"Lisa Freeman (Fic Freeman, L.)

# "Song, Dance, and the Possibilities"

With Brian Gillie Saturday, May 16, 2015 1 p.m., Children's Room



Yes it takes practice to be creative and courage to be funky, but student ideas can generate fabulous results! Children end up on the creative side of the equation as they join Brian's ultimate, "anyone-can-write-a-song and anyone-can-invent-a-dance" experience. Learn the predictable ingredients that make a song or dance a "craze" but then... we've got permission to break the rules to create something extraordinary: Change the rhythm, lyrics, melody or style of a radio favorite; sing a ragtime classic in a doo-wop style; add rap rhythms to a jazz tune; or try "Hound Dog" as a waltz.



10 a.m., Tuesdays, Children's Room

Storytime Plus is a program for preschoolers from birth to five years every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Children and caregivers will enjoy story time, listening and singing to music; marching and playing in a band; doing finger games, and creating a craft in this communitybuilding program.

All are welcome

GROUPS MUST REGISTER 3 WEEKS IN ADVANCE

## "Mother Goose"

#### Thursdays, 10 a.m., Auditorium

Nursery rhymes, visual and audio technology are used in this modern Mother Goose program for Children ages four and under.

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# "Babies & Books"

Wednesdays in the Picture Book Room 10—10:30 a m



Enjoy Lullabies, nursery rhymes, finger plays, bounces and sign language.

Works best with one child per adult.

An early exposure is good for a baby's brain development.

For children ages 24 months and younger.

No Registration required, just drop in.

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#### Hours

Main Library Hours		Bunker Hill Branch	
203 574-8225		203 574-8240	
203-574-8226 TTY/TDD		Tues.	1pm – 8pm
Mon. thru Thurs. 9am - 8pm		Thurs.	10am - 5:30pm
Friday	9am - 5:00pm	Friday	1 pm – 5:00pm
Saturday	9am - 4:45pm	Saturday	1pm - 4:45pm

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JUNE 2015**

June 1 6 p.m. Mezzanine Room
Sisters to Sisters Book Club
June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10 a.m. Auditorium
Children's "Storytime Plus"
June 2 5 p.m. Children's Room
"Bending Gravity" with Eric Girardi
June 3 9 a.m. Children's Room
Summer Reading begins
June 3, 10, 17, 24 10 a.m. Children's Picture Book Room
"Babies and Books"
June 3 6:30 p.m. Auditorium
Calling all Poets with Victoria Munoz

June 4, 11, 18, 25 10 a.m. Auditorium Children's "Mother Goose" June 8, 22 5 p.m. Auditorium Brass City Toastmasters June 9 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room Friends of the Library Meeting June 11 6 p.m. Children's Room "Hero of Magic" with Chris Lengyel June 12 4 p.m. Children's Room Children's Author C. Taylor-Butler June 23 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room Board of Agents meeting

## SUPPORT YOUR LIBRARY - JOIN THE FRIENDS

The Friends are dedicated to promoting Library services by providing equipment and programs, especially those for children.

New members are most welcome. Friends meet February, April, June, August, October, and December at the Main Library on the second Tuesday, at 4:00 p.m.

Individual membership: \$25.00 per year; patrons \$50.00; seniors \$15.00

Mail application plus check to :

