



Books and Happenings

The Newsletter of the Friends of the Silas Bronson Library

JUNE 2015

NEWS FROM "THE READERS GARDEN"

BOOKSTORE

Hi, Everyone—June is Annual Membership Month. If you are already a member, please consider renewing. If you are not a member, won't you consider joining the Friends of the Library. As with the Bookstore, all proceeds support the Library's many services and programs. ***Summer is just around the corner, so it's time to stock up on your beach reads. We are adding an extra cart at this time so that we can offer many more paperbacks at reduced prices of 10 cents and 25 cents! You may also find them on our "special priced items" tables.

This month we are featuring some great cookbooks at great prices. Thanks to your support, our newly renovated bookstore is becoming a great success.

SILAS BRONSON LIBRARY TEEN SUMMER READING 2015

Read books & win Prizes!!!



Sign up starting June 2 (through July 31)

(open to all Waterbury area students entering 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade)

Calendar of Events

June 1 6 p.m. Auditorium

Sisters to Sisters Book Club

June 2 Teen Summer Reading Club begins

June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10 a.m. Children's Storytime Plus

June 2 5 p.m. Children's Room

"Bending Gravity" with Eric Girardi

June 3, 10, 17, 24 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room)

Babies and Books

June 3 Children's Summer Reading Begins.

June 3 6:30 p.m. Auditorium

"Calling All Poets" speaker Ken Cormier

June 4, 11, 18, 25 10 a.m. Auditorium

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

"Storytelling" with famous Children's Author, C. Taylor-Butler

June 23 4 p.m. Mezzanine Room

Board of Agents meeting

June 23 3 p.m. Auditorium

"Teen Choc-Olympics"

June 24 11 a.m. Children's Room

"Recycling is Magic" with Cyril the Sorcerer

June 25 6 p.m. Children's Room

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Join the
SISTERS TO SISTERS BOOK CLUB

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First Monday of the Month - 6:00 p.m.

June 1- *For Your Love* by Beverly Jenkins

As newlyweds Trent and Lily raise two foster children, Trent can't help wondering about his own birth mother who left him behind with his grandmother. What happened to the scared teenage girl who handed him over to her?

Beverly Jenkins' Awards:

Five Waldenbooks/Borders Group Best Sellers; Golden Pen Award (The Black Writer's Guild)

Two Career Achievement Awards & the Pioneer Award (Romantic Times Magazine)

One of the Top Fifty Favorite African-American Writers of the 20th Century (1999, AABLC, largest on-line African-American book club).



**Silas Bronson Library
Teen
Choc-Olympics
23 June 2015**

Events Include:

- *Oreo Stacking
- *Speed Kiss Contest
- *Bowling for Chocolate
- *Chocolate Trivia
- *M&M Toss

Calling All Poets (. . . and poetry lovers)

First Wednesdays - 6:30 p.m. - 7:40 p. m.

Open mike sign-up - 6:20

June 3 - Featured poet – Ken Cormier

Ken Cormier is the author of *Balance Act* (Insomniac Press) and *The Tragedy in My Neighborhood* (Dead Academics Press). His live, multi-media performances have been described as “a William Burroughs exorcism through a Karaoke machine.”

Ken also makes radio fiction and documentary pieces, many of which have aired on public-radio affiliates around the US and on the BBC. He teaches Creative Writing at Quinnipiac University.

www.kencormier.com

Theme: All mixed up



In the Gallery - Photography of Ray Kwiatkoski

Roxbury author/poet/photographer and freelance journalist **Ray Kwiatkoski** will exhibit his

photographs in the library Gallery during June. Formerly of Watertown and Woodbury, Kwiatkoski is a self-taught photographer who works primarily in black and white. After studying elementary education at Southern Connecticut State College, he pursued a writing career which led to the publication of *Rural Wealth*, a book of poetry and photography inspired by the peace and beauty of Litchfield County over the last 25 years .

In the Display Case - Glassware of Jonathan Amici

The work of Waterbury artist and glass blower **Jonathan Amici** continues to be displayed during June. During his seven years as a glass blower, Amici has created small and medium vases, jars, bowls, and Christmas ornaments, but specializes in glass eggs with colorful abstract designs.



267 Grand Street,
Auditorium, 3-5pm
Sign up at The
Circulation Desk!
**For Teens 8th–12th
Grade**

"BENDING GRAVITY"

With Eric Girardi
Tuesday June 2, 2015
5 p.m. Children's Room



My objective is to provide a one-of-a-kind breathtaking performance of object manipulation choreographed to music... to bring once stagnant objects to life as art in motion. An artist of over 20 skills from being a world-ranked yoyo player, a juggler of knives, a fire-eater, a stilt-walker and much more, I promise a unique show every time. As a role model I can stress the importance of following one's passions in life.



Story PLUS Time

AT THE LIBRARY

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 community-building 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.

SUMMER READING CLUB

"EVERY HERO HAS A STORY"

Begins June 3 thru August 21

Come join us and read



"Recycling is Magic"

Presented by Cyril the Sorcerer
Wednesday, June 24th 11:00 am

and

Thursday, June 25th 6:00 pm

Children's Room



Cyril the Sorcerer blends storytelling, magic and environmental education in "Recycling is Magic," a tale of monsters, magic and too much trash! Cyril also serves as Waterbury's Recycling Coordinator. He will provide information on how young and old alike have the power to make the magic of recycling happen.

"Hero of Magic"

With Chris Lengyel

Thursday, June 11, 2015
6 p.m. Children's Room



My shows are filled with energy and will leave each and every one of your guests in amazement.

I am a professional performer, and have my own TV series called "Don't Blink." Along with this credibility, my performances are all over the internet and YouTube.

"Storytelling"

With Famous Children's Author, C. Taylor-Butler
Friday, June 12, 2015
4 p.m. Children's Room



Children's author Christine Taylor-Butler has recently published her first, science-fiction /adventure novel called The Lost Tribes. She has published over 80 non-fiction children's books and is a multiple award winning author, who's also an engineer. C. Butler-Taylor will give young readers a new perspective on non-fiction. She will be using hands-on experiments, codes and puzzles to show how non-fiction is relevant to children. C. Butler-Taylor will talk to participants about fiction vs non-fiction and how non-fiction can be used to build a fictional world that is believable. Her up-beat presentation style makes her a versatile and sought-after author.

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SILAS BRONSON LIBRARY

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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

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY & AUGUST 2015

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10 a.m. Auditorium

Children's "Mother Goose"

July 3 Library closed in observance of Independence Day

July 7, 14, 21, 28 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room)

Children's "Storytime Plus"

July 8 6 p.m. Children's Room

"Bugging Out" with *Marvelous Marvin*

July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room)

"Babies and Books"

July 13, 27 5 p.m. Auditorium

Brass City Toastmasters

July 16 4 p.m. Children's Room

"Zumba Superhero" with *Tracy Brody*

July 23 10 a.m. Library Park

"Meet & Greet Our Local Heroes; First Responders"

August 4, 11, 18, 25 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room)

Children's "Storytime Plus"

August 5, 12, 19, 26 10 a.m. Children's (Picture Book Room)

"Babies & Books"

August 6, 13, 20, 27 10 a.m. Auditorium

Children's "Mother Goose"

August 10, 24 5 p.m. Auditorium

Brass City Toastmasters

August 11 4 p.m. Mezzanine

Friends of the Library meeting

August 14 3:30 p.m. Children's Room

"Mr. Magic's Superheroes" with *Richard Rothstein*

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 :



The Friends of the Silas Bronson Library

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SILAS BRONSON HOMEPAGE

<http://www.bronsonlibrary.org>