



July... at the Rowayton Library

The Governor's Summer Reading Challenge Begins!

Prizes! Prizes! Prizes! Join young readers all over Connecticut in the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge. Children of all ages are invited to participate. Young readers as well as young listeners can earn progress PRIZES! Come to the Rowayton Library *UnderGround* to update your reading log, check out new books, and pick up PRIZES. For every book you read (or 25 pages) you will be rewarded with a reading bracelet. Many colors. Collect them all. And, there are *surprise prizes* for those truly avid readers. Remember, make reading time part of your summertime fun! This program is sponsored by **Business Connections** and **Landmark LLC**. This program is free and open to the public.

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THE GOVERNOR'S
SUMMER READING
CHALLENGE

Hot Dog Picnic

...and they say there is no such thing as a free lunch!

Thursday, July 26 (11:30 am—2:00 pm) "Second Annual Hot Dog Picnic" ... and they say there is no such thing as a free lunch! Well, there is... @ the Rowayton Library. Everyone is invited to help celebrate July as National Hot Dog Month with the Library's Second Annual Hot Dog Picnic. Come check out what's new at the Rowayton Library and join us for a "Free Hot Dog Lunch." This program is free and open to the public.

Library Hours in the *UnderGround*

Weekdays—10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays—10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturdays—10 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Sundays—Closed

203-838-5038

Closed July 4—Independence Day

A Very Special *Thank You* to Our Volunteers!

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Thursdays, July 12, 19, 26, and August 2 (6:00 – 7:00 pm): Pajama BookTalk for Kids – Villains in the Valley. The Rowayton Library is presenting a four (4) session library-based reading program serving families. *Villains in the Valley* is a series that explores the theme of good overcoming evil in four

Pajama BookTalk for Kids – Villains in the Valley (Grades K-2)

books. Through the genre of folktales the authors provide lessons on the rewards of demonstrating patience, compassion, kindness, hard work, and courage. They also depict the consequences of greed, selfishness, and laziness. In this series, the villains or antagonists are animals with human characteristics. Families are to read the books prior to each discussion session. Children are invited to come in pajamas and will be served a pizza dinner. Copies of the books are available at the Library. You may attend one or more of the sessions. You are not required to attend them all or in sequence.

July 12 is *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* by James Marshall; July 19 is *Flossie and the Fox* by Pat Mckissack; July 26 is *The Talking Eggs* by Robert San Souci; and August 2 is *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*, by Paul Galdone. Lot Therrio is our *Storyteller* for this program series. This program is co-sponsored by **Norwalk, Business Connections, Rowayton Pasta and Pizza**, and is made possible through a grant from the **Connecticut Humanities Council**.

MovieTime for Kids

Fridays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, and August 3 & 10: MovieTime for Kids (3:30 – 5:00 pm) The Rowayton Library will be showing a *G-rated* movies for Kids.



StoryTime for Kids

Monday – Friday, July 9 – August 10 (10:30 - 11:00 am) StoryTime for Pre-School Kids. Stories and Songs for children ages birth – age 5. Along with the stories, we will all be learning how to *sign the alphabet* to the song *ABCD*.

ChessTime

Saturday, July 7 – ChessTime (10:30 am - Noon) Chess practice rounds and chess puzzles for all ages.





Harry Potter Night @ the Rowayton Library (Harry Potter Release Party)

Friday, July 20, 9:00 pm – Saturday, July 21, 12:01 am: Harry Potter Night @ the Rowayton Library – *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*. This is the night for Harry Potter! Join us for an evening of Harry Potter book trivia, movie trivia, eat a late supper of pizza, and – at 12:01 am (just a stroke after midnight), and hear the first chapter of the final Harry Potter novel, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* read aloud. Also, if you wish to make a \$35 donation to the Rowayton Library, you may take home your own personal copy of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*. The event is free and open to children of all ages (children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult). Reservations are strongly recommended.

And, why Harry Potter, and why now? (as if you didn't know) As stated in Wikipedia, "***Harry Potter*** is a series of seven fantasy novels by English author J. K. Rowling about an adolescent boy named Harry Potter. The story is mostly set at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, a school for young wizards, and focuses on Harry Potter's fight against the evil wizard Lord Voldemort, who killed Harry's parents as part of his plan to take over the wizarding world. The seventh and last book in the series, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* is scheduled to be released on 21 July 2007."

Join us at the Rowayton Library for this *once in a lifetime* event that all children will remember. For more information and a reservation, please call the Library at (203) 838-5038. Again, this event is free and open to the public. Copies of the new novel will be available at 12:01 am (at the end of the program) to participants for a \$35 donation to the Rowayton Library. Space and copies are limited, please call to reserve your copy.



BookCamp @ the Rowayton Library

Monday – Friday, July 9 – August 10 (2:30 – 3:30 pm) BookCamp for Kids of All Ages. What to do after spending the day at the Beach – come to the Library and find a book, learn how to do Origami, learn the sporting *Art of Tying a Knot*. Each day there will be two classes: one in Origami from 2:30 – 3:00 pm, and from 3:00 – 3:30 pm – the Art of Tying a Knot. Each day a new sculpture and a new knot. Of course, there will also be puzzles and craft materials for a variety of projects to go along with Reading themes. Please join us. Children

under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. This program is made possible, in part, through the **Mayor's Weed and Seed Program**.



DogTalk with Bean

Saturday, July 7 – DogTalk – Kids Reading to Bean (10:30 – 11:30 am)

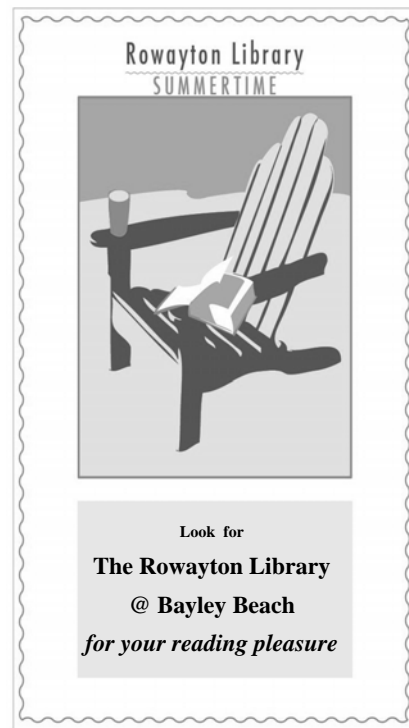
CraftTime for Kids

Saturday, July 21 (10:30 - 11:30 am) CraftTime for Kids *Fantasy Craft*. Join our staff for fun crafts and stories. Fun for everyone.

BusinessTalk – Business & Bagels: Updating Your Business Plan

Thursday, July 26 – BusinessTalk – Business & Bagels (7:30 – 8:30 am) The Rowayton Library and Fairfield County SCORE are co-sponsoring this next small business information session. And, yes, *business and bagels!* And the topic for the morning: *Updating Your Business Plan...* some *sage advice* from counselors at Fairfield County SCORE to help you look at your business plan with *fresh eyes* to make sure you remain competitive in your field... and if you don't have a business plan or don't know why you need one, here's the place to find out how to get on the right track. This event is cosponsored by Business Connections and Fairfield County SCORE.

- 7:30 am to 7:45 am: meet and greet and have bagels and coffee – bring a lot of business cards (a great opportunity to network)
- 7:45 am to 8:30 am: SCORE experts share with you the tips and tricks in updating your business plan.



Ask the Expert! Identity Theft Prevention

Thursdays, July 12 (7:30 – 8:30 pm): Ask the Expert! Identity Theft Prevention. The Rowayton Library is presenting a program on Identity Theft Prevention from local expert Jeff Helfand, D.O., M.S., of New Fortunes Consulting & Benefits. Coffee and dessert will be served.

BookSale @ the Farmer's Market on Fridays 12:30—5pm

MovieTime for Adults – The World of Musicals

Tuesdays, July 10, & 24: MovieTime for Adults – The World of Musicals - 5:00 pm @ the Rowayton Library UG – Please join your fellow Rowaytonites for pizza and salad and a movie. These are the companion movies to the next-day (Wednesday) MusicTalk discussions. One July 10, the Library will be showing *My Fair Lady* and on July 24, the Library will be showing *Guys & Dolls*.



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MusicTalk for Adults – The World of Musicals

Wednesdays, July 11, & 25: MusicTalk for Adults – The World of Musicals - 7:00 pm @ the Rowayton Library UG – This series explores several musicals that have endeared themselves to the American public. Copies of the book and selected musicals (in DVD format) are available at the Rowayton Library. On July 11, *My Fair Lady* will be discussed, and on July 25, *Guys & Dolls* will be discussed. This series is co-sponsored by **Business Connections** and the **Rowayton Civic Association** and is made possible in part through a grant from the **Connecticut Humanities Council**. For more information, please call the Library at (203) 838-5038. Coffee and dessert will be served. This program is free and open to the public.