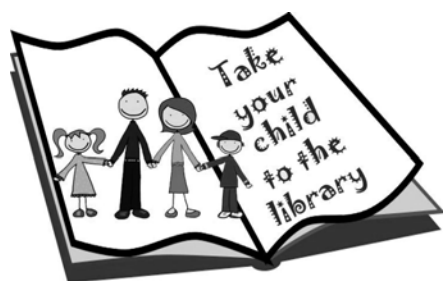
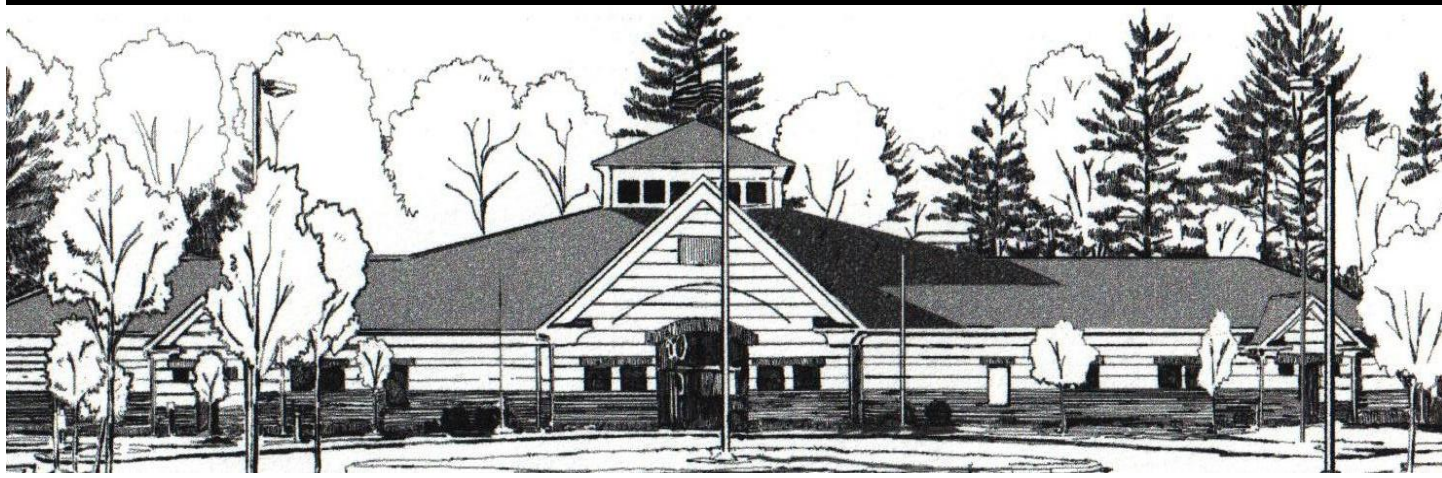


Stafford Library News

Winter/Spring 2012



Take Your Child To The Library Day!

On February 4, 2012, libraries across Connecticut are celebrating the *1st Annual Take Your Child to the Library Day*. While we believe everyday is a good day to take your child to the library, on February 4th there will be some special activities at the library for your children to enjoy.

Schedule of Events

11am: Teddy Bear Tea Party - Bring in your favorite stuffed animal to enjoy tea and sandwiches.

1pm: Watch Disney/Pixar's *Cars 2* and make your own car to bring home.

All day: Enjoy the library's collection of books, DVDs, games, puzzles, etc that can all be borrowed for **FREE** with your **STAFFORD LIBRARY CARD!**

Call 860-684-2852 for more information.

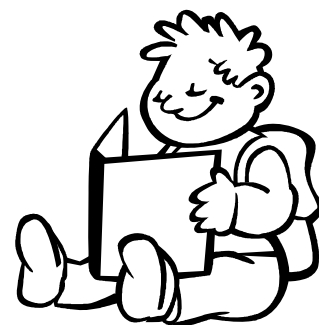
Library Hours

Monday - Thursday	10-8
Friday	10-5
Saturday (Sept - June)	10-5
Saturday (July & Aug)	10-1

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Stafford Springs, CT 06076
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Calendar of Events

REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS.

Please call 860-684-2852

or visit our website www.staffordlibrary.org to register.

January

Programs for Children:

12th @ 6pm - **Teddy Bear Sleepover:** Make a blanket for your teddy and tuck him in for the night. Come back to pick him up on the 13th and see pictures of what your teddy did on their sleepover in the library.



19th @ 3:30pm - **Chinese New Year:** The Lutz Children's Museum will be here to help celebrate the year of the Dragon.

21st @ 1pm - **Super Hero Day:** Come dressed in costume as your favorite super hero and watch a super hero movie.



Programs for Teens & Adults:

10th @ 7pm - **Author Visit:** Local author Culver Modisette will give a talk about his recent book, *Honored Enemy*, which recounts the battle of the Native Americans to prevent the slaughter of their buffalo herds and usurpation of their homelands.

11th @ 2pm - **Teen Game Time:** It's an early release day at school, so come play Wii, Playstation 2, or your favorite board game.

11th, 18th & 25th @ 6:30pm - **Job Workshop:** Lori Fortuna will present a 3 week workshop to help job seekers.

18th @ 6:30pm - **Book Club:** This month's book is *Making Money* by Terry Pratchett.



26th @ 6:30pm - **EBook Info Night:** Do you have a Nook or a Kindle? Find out how you can download books from the library's website for free.

February

Programs for Children:

4th - **Take Your Child to the Library Day:** Spend a fun-filled day at the library. The day will start with a teddy bear tea party complete with teddy bear sandwiches and cookies at **11am**. Watch Disney/Pixar's *Cars 2* at **1pm** and make your very own car to bring home.

13th @ 3:30pm - **Valentine's Day Card Workshop:** Make beautiful valentines for your loved ones.

16th @ 6pm - **Gingerbread Man Celebration:** Decorate a gingerbread man to take home and one to eat while listening to gingerbread stories by Jan Brett.



Programs for Teens & Adults:

11th @ 10am - **SAT Practice Test:** Representatives from Kaplan will be here to administer a practice SAT test for free. If you took the practice test in the fall, this will be a different version of the test to try. Please register early because we must have at least 10 registered by Feb. 4th.

15th @ 6:30pm - **Book Club:** This month's book is *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.

22nd @ 6pm - **Movie:** In honor of Black History Month, we will be showing *To Kill a Mockingbird*, starring Gregory Peck.



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March

Programs for Children:

1st @ 6pm - **Dr. Seuss' Birthday Party:** Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with crafts and stories.

15th @ 5pm - **Reading Night:** Come in your PJs and enjoy a mac & cheese dinner while you listen to a story.

17th @ 1pm - **St. Patrick's Day Celebration:** Find a lucky piece of gold, make a magical necklace and bring a leprechaun home.



Programs for Teens & Adults:

5th @ 6:30pm - **Felting Class:** Nancy Schwanda will present a class on felting and instruct participants on how to make a small wool cat. Supplies will be provided, but registration is required.



14th @ 7pm - **The Basics of Truffle Making:** Learn to make elegant desserts and chocolates from the "chocolate lady," Maria Brandriff. Samples and recipes will include several different types of truffles.

27th @ 6pm - **Take A Seat Yoga:** Instructor Lu-Anne Cox will teach participants how to do Yoga while seated. Participants should bring a yoga mat or large towel and wear loose clothing.

April

Programs for Children:

7th @ 10am - **Les Julian:** Enjoy a live performance by Grammy Award Nominee Les Julian. Following the show there will be an Easter Egg hunt for kids.



19th @ 1pm - **Farm Day:** Plant a seed and learn about Stafford farms. Local farmers will talk about the products they sell. Meet mini donkeys, sheep, goats, chickens, horses, llamas and alpacas and make new friends.

20th @ 1pm - **Earth Day Activity:** Learn new ways to be green in Stafford Springs.

Programs for Teens & Adults:

7th @ 10am - **SAT Practice Test:** Representatives from Kaplan will be here to administer a practice SAT test for free. Please register early because we must have at least 10 registered by April 1st.

9th @ 5:30pm - **Night of a Thousand Stars:** Join a sing-a-long led by the Golden Tones. Enjoy performances by local musical groups including: Lady Song, the Treble Troubadours, and the Madrigal Singers, a Stafford High School Choral Group.



17th @ 6pm - **Teen Game Night:** Play Wii, Playstation 2 or your favorite board game.

May

Programs for Children:

5th @ 2pm - **Cinco de Mayo:** Learn about this Mexican holiday as the Lutz Children's Museum brings articles from Mexico.

7th @ 6pm - **PJ Story time & Mother's Day activity**

12th @ 2pm - **American Girl Tea:** Listen to a story, told by renowned story teller Joyce Marie Rayno, about one of the American Girl Dolls, while you enjoy assorted flavored teas and various sandwiches and desserts. Bring your favorite doll.



Programs for Teens & Adults:

16th @ 6:30pm - **African Drum Circle:** Conga J will lead a drum circle. Everyone will get the chance to play an instrument. All ages are welcome for this event.



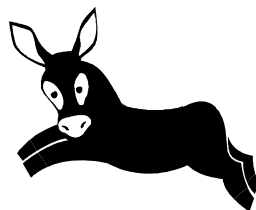
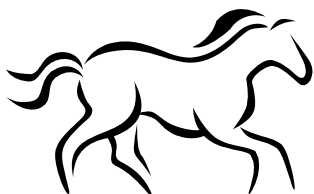
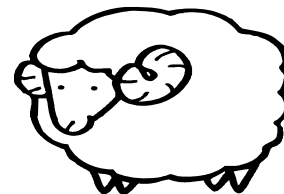


Story Times for Children

Mondays @10am - **Story time for ages 0-2:** Songs, finger plays, board books, toys, rhymes and stories that are fun for mom and baby.

Tuesdays @ 10am - **Story time for 2 year olds:** Songs, finger plays, rhymes, crafts and stories will help your child gain learning readiness skills.

Wednesdays @ 3:30pm - **Animal story time for ages 3 & up:** Enjoy songs, finger plays, rhymes, puppets, crafts and stories. Meet and learn about local farm animals, such as lambs, mini donkeys, horses, alpacas, llamas and more. Children will learn interpersonal, listening and learning readiness skills while having fun. Siblings of all ages are welcome too!



Friends of the Library April 2012 through March 2013 Membership

Here is an easy way to become a member of the Friends of the Library or to renew your membership for 2012-2013. The Friends of the Library sponsored our summer reading programs, special event programs, museum passes, Nutmeg books, Overdrive downloadable audio books, and many, many more projects for the library. Please consider joining.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Dues categories: Make check payable to the "Friends of the Stafford Library"

Please note additional levels and more ways for you to help.

Individual \$5.00 Family \$10.00 Bronze \$50 Silver \$100 Gold \$200 Corporate Sponsor \$200

Corporate Patron \$250 New Member Renewal

I want to help the Friends with (**optional**—check all that apply)

Baking Book sales/sorting Holiday cookie sale Serve on Executive Board

Serve as chairman of book sale or cookie sale I have a special talent _____

Drop off at the library or mail to: Friends of the Stafford Library, P.O. Box 100, Stafford, CT 06075