

FEBRUARY EVENTS AT THE WESTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Memories of World War II series

The Weston Historical Society and Friends of the Weston Library are proud to present Memories of World War II, an exhibition celebrating our town's contributions to the war. A series of movies and lectures will accompany the exhibition. A full description and schedule of events can be found at: <http://www.westonhistoricalsociety.org/wwii-2016/>.

February 1 Lecture: "Bullets, Gasoline & Rations: the Normandy Campaign," with lecturer Professor Steve Waddell. Held at the Weston Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

February 15 Movie: *Saving Private Ryan*. Held at the Weston Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

February 22 Newsreel: *The War on the Eastern Front*, with lecturer Correspondent/Historian Karl Meyer. Held at the Weston Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

New Yorker Roundtable

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 14, 21 at 10:45AM

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Weston Public Library, and the Weston Public Library Board of Trustees, the New Yorker Roundtable is a community discussion group where participants talk about news events, arts, politics and more! Moderated by Diana Loevy. Issues and reading selections are available at the Library.

SCORE workshop- Google Keyword Planning for SEO Thursday February 9 at 6PM

Understand why you should develop a Keyword strategy first and how it relates to your website's Search Engine Optimization. It is critical to the success of being found on a Google search. In this workshop you'll learn how to create a strategy for your product and services by watching a live demonstration. Bring your laptop, tablet or iPhone and follow along online.

Mini-Maker Program- Sew a Stuffed Animal Thursday February 16 at 3:30PM

Learn how to sew by making your own mini stuffed toy! We'll show you the basics of hand sewing and how to make a unique creation you can take home. Ages 8 and up. Registration is required. Please email rsimpson@westonct.gov to register.

Sewing Machine Basics **Tuesday February 28 at 4:00PM**

Want to learn how to use a sewing machine? Or perhaps you've learned before, but would like a refresher course? Come learn to use our sewing machine! We'll go over the most important parts of the machine, how to use it, and let everyone try it out. Ages 13 and up. Space is limited and registration is required. Please email rsimpson@westonct.gov to register.

SCORE workshop- Optimizing Your Mobile Devices and PC **Thursday Feb. 23 at 6PM**

As the lines between technology and lifestyle blur, the choices become limitless and overwhelming. What works for you? Does your business require a computer at a desk? Are you chauffeuring kids, running errands and need to answer emails throughout the day? This "mid-level" workshop broadly explores synching, mobile computing, software and more.

February Book Groups

Thursday Morning Book Group – *Appointment in Samarra* by John O'Hara **Thursday, February 9 at 10:30 AM**

One of the great novels of small-town American life, *Appointment in Samarra* is John O'Hara's crowning achievement. In December 1930, just before Christmas, the Gibberville, Pennsylvania, social circuit is electrified with parties and dances. At the center of the social elite stand Julian and Caroline English. But in one rash moment born inside a highball glass, Julian breaks with polite society and begins a rapid descent toward self-destruction.

Brimming with wealth and privilege, jealousy and infidelity, O'Hara's iconic first novel is an unflinching look at the dark side of the American dream—and a lasting testament to the keen social intelligence of a major American writer. - *Amazon*

Wednesday Evening Book Group – *The Dead* by James Joyce **Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 PM**

"The Dead" is the final short story in the 1914 collection *Dubliners* by James Joyce. At 15,952 words, it is the longest story in the collection. *The Dead* is one of the twentieth century's most beautiful pieces of short literature. Taking his inspiration from a family gathering held every year on the Feast of the Epiphany, Joyce pens a story about a married couple attending a Christmas-season party at the house of the husband's two elderly aunts. A shocking confession made by the husband's wife toward the end of the story showcases the power of Joyce's greatest innovation: the epiphany, that moment when everything, for character and reader alike, is suddenly clear.." - *Amazon*

Book groups sponsored by the Friends of the Weston Public Library.

Children's and Teen Events

To sign up for any program requiring registration, please e-mail or call Miss Alessandra at apetrino@westonct.gov or (203) 222-2651.

Storytimes

First Saturday Storytime: *Saturday, Feb. 4, 11AM.* Stories, songs & a small craft for all ages.

Baby Lapsit: *Tuesdays, 10AM.* Songs, rhymes & fingerplays for ages birth-1.

Wiggleworms: *Wednesdays, 10:30AM.* Music, movement, rhymes & play for ages birth-2.

Tiny Tales: *Thursdays, 10AM.* Stories, songs and play for ages 1-3.

ABC Storytime: *Thursdays, 11AM.* Awesome **B**ooks and **C**rafts for ages 3-5.

Family Storytime: *Wednesday, Feb. 8, 3:45PM.* Stories, songs and play for all ages.

Reel Books – Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (PG13) **Wednesday, February 1 at 3:30 PM**

Come enjoy Reel Books: YA books that have been made into movies! Snacks will be provided. There is no age limit, but the movie is rated PG-13.

Pokémon Club **Wednesday, February 1 at 3:45PM**

Love all things Pokémon? Then join our new Pokémon Club! Bring your cards, phones or tablets. Battle or trade cards, learn more about Pokémon Go, or just watch a Pokémon movie with your friends. Each month will be different, so be sure to sign up. Ages 8 and Up. *Registration required.*

Science + Creativity– Groundhogs Day **Thursday, February 2 at 3:30PM**

Fun Groundhogs Day craft for all ages. *Registration required.*

Take Your Child to the Library Day **Saturday, February 4 All day**

Celebrate the library with a day full of fun activities, including stories and songs, bookmark making, parachute play and more! All ages are welcome.

Mini-Maker Program- Block Print Valentine's Cards **Tuesday February 7 at 3:30PM**

Learn how to use block printing to make one-of-a-kind prints. Kids will “carve” their own blocks using foam and pencils, and use their creation to make printed Valentine's cards. Ages 5 and up, no registration required.

Play-Doh Day
Friday, February 10, 10:30-11:30AM

Come join us for Play-Doh Days where you child can build anything they desire with our Play-Doh and make new friends along the way. Ages 1 to 5. No registration needed; drop in anytime!

Science + Creativity– Marshmallow Igloos
Monday, February 13 at 3:45PM

Try to make an igloo out of toothpicks and mini-marshmallows. Ages 8+ *Registration required.*

Bach to Rock
Monday, February 13

Ages 0-3 10:00-10:45AM,

Ages 3-6 11:00-11:45AM

Enjoy music and movement activities for toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers. Two sessions will be offered: ages birth-3, and ages 3-6. Registration required.

Science + Creativity – Valentine’s Day
Tuesday, February 14 at 3:30PM

Fun Valentine’s Day craft for all ages! Registration required.

Reel Books – Nerve:
Wednesday, February 15 at 3:30PM

Come enjoy Reel Books: YA books that have been made into movies! Snacks will be provided. There is no age limit, but the movie is rated PG-13.

Book Tasting
Wednesday, February 15 at 4:30PM

...Don’t know what to read next? Come get a sample of some of our favorites. Try new books and genres and let us know what you think. Ages 12 and up.

Science + Creativity– How Does it Work? Coding session
Saturday, February 18 at 10AM

Mini coding session. Learn what it means to code and use some of our mini-coding sets to see your coding in action. Ages 5 and up.

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library
Saturday, February 18 at 1:00PM

Use your surroundings to find the clues that lead to the key to help you escape, but you only have 60 minutes! Sign up individually or with friends. Grades 3-6. Registration required.

Minecraft Meetup

Sunday, February 19, 1:00PM-3:00PM

Bring your Minecraft player name, library card, and a parent or guardian, and we'll add you to our Minecraft server! If you bring your computer you can hang out and play Minecraft with other kids.

Science + Creativity– Exploding Treasure Chests

Tuesday, February 21 at 3:45PM

Using household products melt your ice treasure chest to see what's inside. Ages 5 and up.

Pudding Pictionary

Wednesday, February 22 at 3:30PM

Get a little messy and try to figure out your friend's designs in chocolate pudding. Ages 12 and up.

Playgroup

Friday, February 24, 10:30AM-12:30PM

Come in from the cold and play together. We invite parents, caregivers and children to play in the library. We will have plenty of fun toys, games, and activities for you and you can meet new friends!

Escape the Boardroom

Friday, Feb.24 at 3:45PM, Grades 6-7;

Tuesday, Feb.28 at 3:45PM, Grades 8+

Use your surroundings to find the clues that lead to the key to help you escape, but you only have 60 minutes! Two sessions offered for different age groups. Registration required.

Harry Potter Book Club

Monday, February 27 at 3:45PM

Join us to discuss Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. We will enjoy Harry Potter-inspired snacks and discuss ideas for future meetings. If you would like to check out a copy of the book to read or re-read before the meeting, please note that in your registration. Ages 10 and up.