

JULY 2026

What's the Story?

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE DOUGLAS LIBRARY OF HEBRON



DOUGLAS LIBRARY

22 Main Street Hebron, CT 06248

HOURS

Monday	12PM-8PM
Tuesday	10AM-8PM
Wednesday	12PM-8PM
Thursday	10AM-8PM
Friday	12PM-6PM
Saturday	10AM-3PM
SUNDAY	- CLOSED

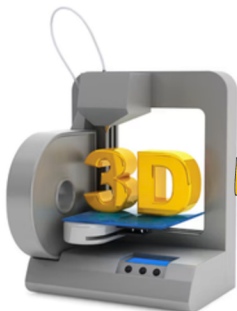
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We have 2 new 3D Printers for the public to enjoy!
 Sign up for our basic **Printing Class**

and learn how to use them.

Classes will take place on Mondays at 5:30-6:30PM

Registration is necessary and all materials will be provided. All ages and experience levels welcome!

Thank you to Hebron Greater Together Community Foundation for our grant!

FRIDAY JULY 31 1:00 PM

ICE CREAM Social

Celebrate the end of Summer Reading with the Douglas Library of Hebron!
 All ages are welcome!

Scoops of Fun Await!

JULY 23 - 6PM

Amazing Owl Childrens Program

Meet DPNC's ambassador owls and discover the adaptations that help our native owl species thrive as nighttime hunters. Get hands-on with real owl artifacts then create your own owl craft to take home.

Please register at douglaslibrary.org

DOLL Tea Party

Join us for an elegant affair filled with delightful conversations, exquisite teas, and a delectable assortment of sweet and savory treats. Bring your favorite doll or stuffie to share tea with.

Please Register!

Tuesday, July 21 4PM



Local Author Book Talk

Andrea Ezerins

What if the life you were meant to live was waiting just outside your door?

When the Forest Dreams
 A Modern Retelling of The Blue Castle
 A NOVEL
 ANDREA EZERINS

July 15th 6:30 pm

A modern retelling of L.M. Montgomery's The Blue Castle, this gentle story of love, resilience, and the beauty of the unknown reminds us to seek joy in the most unexpected places.





ADULT/GENERAL PROGRAMS

FREE FRIDAY MOVIES

Take in a movie at the library! Join us at 1PM each Friday to watch a film and have some snacks in our Community Room.



7/10

THE PATRIOT
Rated R

2000 · WAR/ACTION · 2H 45M



7/17

THE CROSSING
Not Rated

2000 · WAR/DRAMA · 1H 40M



7/24

GLORY
Rated R

1989 · WAR/DRAMA · 2H 2M

The Hartford Circus Fire

Wednesday, July 22 6:30pm



IN 1944, ONE OF THE WORST FIRE DISASTERS IN AMERICAN HISTORY OCCURRED IN HARTFORD. THE CIRCUS FIRE HAS LIVED IN THE MEMORIES OF SURVIVORS AND THE IMAGINATIONS OF CONNECTICANS EVER SINCE. IN THIS PRESENTATION, PHOTOS AND ARTIFACTS FROM THE CONNECTICUT MUSEUM'S COLLECTION WILL HELP TELL THE STORIES OF THAT DAY. THE PRESENTATION WILL EXAMINE THE WAYS IN WHICH CONNECTICANS HAVE CONTINUED TO IDENTIFY, HONOR, AND BRING JUSTICE TO THE VICTIMS IN THE INTERVENING DECADES.

Red Cross Blood Drive

July 15, 10 - 3 Register at RedCross.org

When donors come to give blood July 13-31 they'll get a Fandango Movie Ticket** by email (up to \$15 ticket price and fees).



The need is *Real*. Have donors *Pep* in to give!

** Limited time offer. Fandango Promotional Code ("Code") is good for up to \$15 off (total ticket price and associated fees and charges) the purchase of one movie ticket to see any movie at participating Fandango theaters in the US. Code must be entered at checkout.

americanjobcenter NORTH CENTRAL

Looking for a new job? Want to get into a training program?

SEE IF THE A.J.C. CAN HELP!

This **FREE** program can help you create a résumé, prepare for job interviews and much more!

Contact William Newton to set up an appointment here at Douglas Library.

Phone: (860) 385-2099

Email: WNewton@CapitalWorkforce.org

JOIN A CLUB!

LEARN SOMETHING NEW * MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS * RE-VISIT AN OLD INTEREST

COOKBOOK CLUB

Each month we read a different cookbook, and each person chooses one recipe from the book to make and share. We even have an oven and stove in case what you make needs warmed up! Copies will be available at the library beginning one month before the meeting.

July's Cookbook is **EVERYDAY THAI COOKING** by Katie Chin



**TUESDAY 7/21
6:30PM**

The Spirited Book Club

WEDNESDAY 7/15 7PM



July's book is **"No! I Don't Want to Join a Book Club"**, by Virginia Ironside. The Spirited Book Club discussion meets at the American Legion, located next door to the library. Copies of the book will be available for checkout at the Adult Circulation Desk and are also available on the Libby app. Must be over 21 years of age



A delightful novel about letting go of youth and embracing the sassy curmudgeon within!

KNIT WITS

Every Monday 6PM

Bring your project and your questions, and join us downstairs in the Board Room for some friendly creating!

MAHJONG

Every Tuesday 11AM

Are you interested in playing Mahjong?
Would you like to learn how to play?
Fellow patrons have started a Mahjong Club!



QUIET READING CLUB

Every 2nd Saturday 2:45 PM

No registration required - just be sure to arrive before the library doors are locked at 3:00PM!



CHESS CLUB

Every Thursday 4PM

Meets downstairs in the Community Room. No Experience Necessary. ALL Are Welcome!





Plant a seed, read **SUMMER READING** JULY ACTIVITIES

Lunch and Story Time

Wednesdays at noon. Bring your lunch and a blanket, and eat while Ms. Lida reads some stories!

Messy Art Sensory Play

For young children. Thursdays at 10:15 am

Mini Golf *

July 6th, 1-3 pm. Enjoy a round of Mini Golf with 9 holes. Families are encouraged to play against each other!

Tween Cooking *

Tuesdays in July 10 am. Learn basic cooking skills, recipe reading, and make a no-bake item to bring home!

Drum Circle *

July 8th 6 pm. Experience the rhythm of drums. You will be able to play along and help make music!

Teen Crafts

Wednesdays at 2 pm.

July 8 - Painting Flower Pots

July 15 - Painting Mugs

July 22 - Making Terrariums

Bird Seed Feeder

Monday July 13th at 1 pm

CT Humane Society Kind Kids *

July 13th at 6 pm. Students will explore the importance of being kind and compassionate towards people and pets during this interactive program. There will not be any live animals present.

Every Seed Tells A Story *

July 14th at 2 pm. Discover how seeds become habitats, and how animals help plants grow in return. Meet live animals, explore the seed journey, and create a craft to help plant native habitat in your own community.

Foam Crafts

July 20th at 1 pm

Playful Engineers Makerspace

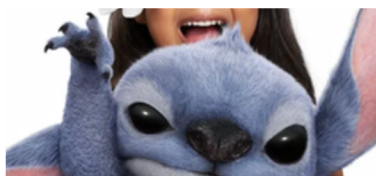
July 29th at 3 pm. Hands-on, play-based STEAM-powered learning! We've got the tools, you bring the engineers!

Hartford Symphony Instruments *

July 29th at 6 pm. Join us to try out different instruments from the Hartford Symphony as well as some activities.

Please make sure to register if there is an * next to an event.

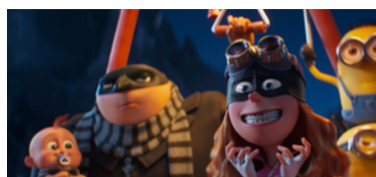
SUMMER FAMILY MOVIES



July 2
Lilo and Stitch



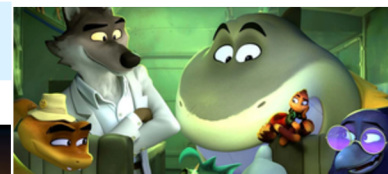
July 16
Spongebob



July 30
Despicable Me 4

10:15

**In the Library
Community Room**



July 9
Bad Guys 2



July 23
Moana 2

LEGO CLUB

MONDAYS 7/6, 7/13, 7/20 at 4 pm

SATURDAYS 7/11 & 7/25 from 12-1 pm

All Ages!

There will be different challenges each meet, and your creations will be on display until the following Lego Club. Monday clubs will take place upstairs on the Children's floor, in the story room. For Ages 5+

Saturday clubs meet in the Community Room.

D&D CLUB

Wednesdays, 5:45 to 7:45 pm

- No experience necessary!
- Pre-generated character sheets and dice provided
- Registration is required



JULY 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COLOR KEY: Library Closed • Adults • Children
Young Adult • General

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUNDAYS CLOSED	29	30	1 12 PM Lunch and Storytime 5:45 PM Dungeons & Dragons Club	2 10:15 AM Messy Art Sensory Play 1 PM Family Movie: Lilo and Stitch 4 PM Chess Club	3 CLOSED	4 CLOSED 
	6 1 PM Mini Golf 4 PM Lego Club 5:30 PM 3D Printer Basics 6 PM Knit Wits	7 10 AM Tween Cooking Series 11 AM Mahjong	8 12 PM Lunch and Storytime 2 PM Teen Craft 5:45 PM Dungeons & Dragons Club 6 PM Drumming Program	9 10:15 AM Messy Art Sensory Play 1 PM Family Movie: Bad Guys 2 4 PM Chess Club	10 1 PM Movie The Patriot	11 2:45 PM Quiet Reading Club 12 PM Saturday Lego Club
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