

**Hartford Public Library**  
**Programs for Children, Teens, and Families**  
**March 2015**

**Downtown Library**  
**500 Main Street**  
**Hartford, CT 06103**

**For information on Downtown Library Youth Services programs, call 860.695.6330**

**Teen**

**Press Play: Technology (Downtown)**

Ages 12 and up. Show off your skills on the X box 360 console, with a variety of games. Individuals welcome without registration; groups, please sign-up ahead of time.

***Downtown - Program Room***, Mondays, March 9 and 29, 5:30 p.m.

**Students**

**Homework Club: Education (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Fall back into great homework habits with a trip to the library. Drop in after school for homework help and fun activities to get you started. Homework supplies provided.

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Mondays-Thursdays, March 2-31, 3:00-3:30 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego® Club: Education (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Thursday, March 5, 4:30 p.m. and Monday, March 23, 3:30 p.m.

**Festival of Colors: Arts & Entertainment (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Celebrate Holi, an Indian festival marking the arrival of spring. Admire the colorful illustrations accompanying Indian folk tales and make a beautiful craft.

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Saturday, March 7, 2:30 p.m.

**Crafternoons: Arts & Entertainment (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Join us each week at our drop-in crafts table for creative inspiration, art activities, and snacks. Check out books on drawing, jewelry making, and more for ideas!

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24, and 31, 5:00 p.m.

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Saturday, March 28, 2:30 p.m.

**Marble Maze Build-Off: Education (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Construct your own marble mazes using cardboard tubes, popsicle sticks, and other supplies.

***Downtown – Children’s Library***, Wednesday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.

**Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash: Education (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Celebrate beloved children's author Dr. Seuss' 111th birthday! Come dressed as your favorite Dr. Seuss character, enjoy Dr. Seuss' themed games, stories and a slice of birthday cake

**Downtown – Program Room, Saturday, March 14, 2:30 p.m.**

**Paws to Read: Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up, with adult friends. Have a reluctant reader at home? Bring him/her every first and third Saturday to meet Gizmo (our specially trained Paws for Friendship Therapy Dog) and her handler Jen. Call 860-695-6330 for an appointment time between 12:30-2:00 or just drop in for a session.

**Downtown – Children's Library, Saturday, March 15, 12:30-2:00 p.m.**

**Go Green! Education (Downtown)**

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy the luck of the Irish with an Irish folktale and hands-on activities.

**Downtown – Children's Library, Tuesday, March 17, 4:00 p.m.**

**Children's Author's Visit: Miranda Paul (Downtown)**

Ages 6-9. Everyone is invited to meet children's author Miranda Paul in her One Plastic Spring Tour with award-winning grass root environmentalist Isatou Ceesay! Miranda will present a lively and inspiring discussion centered on her book: *One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia*.

**Downtown – Center for Contemporary Culture, March 18, 10:30 a.m.**

**Parent/Child Book Club: Education (Downtown)**

Ages 6-10 with adults. Join us to talk about some great award-winning children's picture books reflecting on themes such as fairness, greed, and courage. This month, we will be reading *Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock* by Eric Kimmel. This group will meet once a month at the library.

**Downtown – Youth Program Room, Wednesday, March 25, 5:30 p.m.**

**Children and Families**

**First Friends Play Group: Early Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages birth-5, with adult friends. Our play and picture book areas are reserved for you! Share toys, books and music while your child meets other children.

**Downtown – Children's Library, Mondays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 10:30 a.m.**

**Read Across America Celebration: Early Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages 3 and up. Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in Read Across America Day. Listen to some of Dr. Seuss's most famous books, make a Seuss-themed craft, and pledge to read at least two books when you go home that night to receive a piece of Dr. Seuss's birthday cake.

**Downtown – Children's Library, Tuesday, March 3, 5:00 p.m.**

**Every Child Ready to Read Family Story Time: Early Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages birth-5, with adult friends. An interactive program based on the five practices of the Every Child Ready To Read Initiative – Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, and Playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, sing songs, play games and make a craft to take home!

**Downtown – Children's Library, Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10:30 a.m.**

**Just For Fun Story Time: Early Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages 3 to 5 with a care providers. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music, and movement will be part of this special story time. Please call 860-695-7400 to book large groups in advance.

***Downtown – Children's Library***, Saturdays, March 7 and 28, 10:30 a.m.

**Music Enrichment: Early Literacy (Downtown)**

Ages 18 months – 5 with adults. Join us for a before and after stretching routine, songs, dance, and a lot of constant movement.

***Downtown – Children's Library***, Thursday, March 19 and 26, 10:30 a.m.

**Albany Branch**  
**1250 Albany Avenue**  
**Hartford, CT 06112**  
*For information on Albany Branch programs,*  
*call 860.695.7380*

## **MARCH**

### **Homework Help: Education (Albany)**

Grades K and up. Stop by after school to get help with your homework. Children under eight years old must be accompanied by an adult.

***Albany Branch***, Mondays-Thursdays, March 2 – 26, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

### **M&M Math: Education (Albany)**

Ages 5 and up. Brush up on your math by using these tasty candies!

***Albany Branch***, Monday, March 2, 5:00 p.m.

### **Read Across America Celebration: Early Literacy (Albany)**

Ages 3 and up. Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in Read Across America Day. Listen to some of Dr. Seuss's most famous books, and pledge to read at least two books when you go home that night to receive a piece of Dr. Seuss's birthday cake.

***Albany Branch***, Tuesday, March 3, 4:45 p.m.

### **Pour Some: Education (Albany)**

Ages 6 and up. Turn snack time into measuring time and learn all about nutrition fact labels.

***Albany Branch***, Wednesday, March 4, 5:00 p.m.

### **Just for Fun Storytime: Early Literacy (Albany)**

Ages 3 and up. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music, and movement will be part of this special story time.

***Albany Branch***, Thursday, March 5, 6:00 p.m.

### **Movie Matinee: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 8 and up. Come watch a movie and enjoy a snack with your family and friends.

***Albany Branch***, Friday, March 6, 2:00 p.m.

### **Pi Day: Education (Albany)**

Ages 7 and up. Celebrate Pi Day a few days early by learning all about the number pi. Learn about circumference and diameter, help the group write a fun pi story, make a pi plate, and enjoy a slice of pie.

***Albany Branch***, Monday, March 9, 5:00 p.m.

### **Itty Bitty Babies: Early Literacy (Albany)**

Birht-24 months with caregivers. Join us for nursery rhymes, songs, cuddles and books appropriate for the youngest of the young. Learn how to introduce your child to words and language by incorporating songs into all your routines such as bath time, diaper changes, getting into the car seat and nap time! NOTE: Please bring a small blanket to lay your child on.

**Albany Branch**, Tuesday, March 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Jewelry Hour: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 5 and up. Make a bracelet or necklace to keep or give to a friend.

**Albany Branch**, Tuesday, March 10, 5:00 p.m.

**Play-Doh Storytime: Early Literacy (Albany)**

Ages 3 and up. Stop in for a silly story, sing silly songs, and make a silly creation out of Play-Doh.

**Albany Branch**, Wednesday, March 11, 2:00 p.m.

**Parent/Child Book Club: Education (Albany)**

Ages 6-10 with adults. Join us to talk about great children's books and reflect on their themes. Meet once a month to discuss the book of the month with your child.

**Albany Branch**, Thursday, March 12, 6:00 p.m.

**Movie Matinee: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 8 and up. Come watch a movie and enjoy a snack with your family and friends.

**Albany Branch**, Friday, March 13, 2:00 p.m.

**Game Day: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

All ages. Play board games with others your age, including Jenga, Monopoly, Life, and Disney Scene It?

**Albany Branch**, Monday, March 16, 5:00 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego Club: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 5 and Up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

**Albany Branch**, Tuesday, March 17, 5:00 p.m.

**Kindle Club: Education (Albany)**

Ages 7 and up. Stop in for our Kindle Book Club. Take turns reading from our e-book of the month and discuss the plot and characters.

**Albany Branch**, Wednesday, March 18, 5:00 p.m.

**OMGlee Party: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 12 and up. It's time to party in gleeek style as we await the final episode of Glee! Join us for fun activities, favorite episodes, snacks, and of course-- music!

**Albany Branch**, Thursday, March 19, 5:00 p.m.

**Movie Matinee: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 8 and up. Come watch a movie and enjoy a snack with your family and friends.

**Albany Branch**, Friday, March 20, 2:00 p.m.

**Early Reader's Book Club: Education (Albany)**

Ages 4-9. Join us while we read a classic early reader story and make a fun craft. Light refreshments will be served.

**Albany Branch**, Monday, March 23, 5:00 p.m.

**Baseball for Kids: Education (Albany)**

Ages 5 and up. Come and learn about the history of baseball by doing research about who, what, when and where the sport was invented. We will do different baseball related arts and crafts that you can take home and Rocky the Rockcats mascot will be joining us for a special story!

***Albany Branch***, Tuesday, March 24, 5:00 p.m.

**Reading Hour: Education (Albany)**

Ages 7 and up. Stop by for brownies while we take turns reading from the book of the month.

***Albany Branch***, Wednesday, March 25, 5:00 p.m.

**Teen Book Club: Education (Albany)**

Ages 13-18. Calling all teens! Come join our monthly book club and discuss the book of the month while enjoying a slice of pizza.

***Albany Branch***, Thursday, March 26, 6:00 p.m.

**Toddler Storytime: Early Literacy (Albany)**

Ages 2-3. Celebrate reading with fun stories, songs, and fingerplays for your little one.

***Albany Branch***, Friday, March 27, 10:00 a.m.

**Movie Matinee: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

All ages. Come watch a movie and enjoy a snack with your family.

***Albany Branch***, Friday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.

**Drop-in Craft: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 5 and up. Drop in between 2:00 and 4:30 to work on an independent craft. We provide the materials. You and your child supply the imagination.

***Albany Branch***, Monday, March 30, 2:00 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego Club: Arts & Entertainment (Albany)**

Ages 5 and Up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

***Albany Branch***, Tuesday, March 31, 2:00 p.m.

**Barbour Branch  
259 Barbour Street  
Hartford, CT 06120**

**For information on Barbour Branch programs, call 860.695.7400.**

**Homework Help:** Education

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy a snack and complete your homework assignment with us.

**Barbour Branch**, Mondays-Thursdays, March 2-31, 3:00-4:00 p.m

**Thumbprints:** Art

Ages 7 and up. Your fingers and thumbs are the tools you can use to print and draw a million pictures. Follow in the footsteps of Ed Emberley; find out about him, browse through some of his books and thumbprint some cool pictures.

**Barbour Branch**, Mondays, March 2 and 9, 4:00 p.m.

**Just For Fun Story Time:** Early Literacy

Ages 3 to 5 with a care providers. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music, and movement will be part of this special story time. Please call 860-695-7400 to book large groups in advance.

**Barbour Branch**, Tuesday, March 3, 10:00 a.m.

**Read Across America Celebration:** Education

Ages 7 and up. Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in Read Across America Day. Listen to some of Dr. Seuss's most famous books, and pledge to read at least a book when you go home that night to receive a piece of Dr. Seuss's birthday cake.

**Barbour Branch**, Tuesday, March 3, 4:00 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego® Club:** Education

Ages 4 and up. Join us for an afternoon of Lego® building creativity and fun. We provide the blocks, you provide the imagination!

**Barbour Branch**, Wednesdays, March 4 and 11, 4:00 p.m.

**Creative Play:** Early Literacy

Ages 3-5 months with caregivers. Join us in our Creative Play Center to explore the components of Every Child Ready to Read® (ECRR). Share special books, educational toys, finger games and music. Receive activity tips on Reading, Writing, Talking, Singing/Rhyming, and Playing.

**Barbour Branch**, Thursdays March 5 and 19, 10:00 a.m.

**Magazine Rack:** Education

Ages 7 and up. Pick up your favorite magazine from our magazine rack and share your choice of article, joke or game from it with friends over some tasty snack.

**Barbour Branch**, Fridays, March 6, 13 and 27 4:00 p.m.

**Wordplay Project:** Early Literacy

Ages 3-5. "Word Play," - innovative story time program that mixes vocabulary, word play, cultural literacy, and creative play to improve the school readiness skills and increase parent/caregiver engagement of English Language Learners (ELLs) from age two to five.

**Barbour Branch**, Mondays, March 9, and 23, 10:00 a.m.

**Chapter by Chapter:** Literacy

Ages 7 and up. Follow the mystery of Cam Jansen by David Adler or find out what Horrible Harry is up to in one of Suzy Kline's stories. Read a couple of chapters each Tuesday and play mystery games after to win prizes.

**Barbour Branch**, March Tuesdays 10, 17, 24 and 31, 4:00 p.m.

**Mix in Math:** Education

Ages 8 and up. Double the recipe, or would you rather triple it? Make trail mix using a recipe, test your computing skills at the same time.

**Barbour Branch**, Thursday, March 12, 4:00 p.m.

**Hidden Talents:** Arts and Entertainment

Ages 8 and up. Join our Talent Club for the expression of that hidden talent in you. At the same time discover the creative and expressive side of your peers as you share ideas and techniques. There's prize galore to encourage you.

**Barbour Branch**, Friday, March 19 and 26, 4:00 p.m.



**Camp Field Branch  
30 Campfield Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06114**

**For information on Camp Field Branch programs, call 860.695.7440**

**Homework Club: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages 5 and up. Fall back into great homework habits with a trip to the library. Drop in after school for homework help and fun activities to get you started. Homework supplies provided.

**Camp Field Branch**, Mondays-Thursdays, March 2-31, 3:00-3:30 p.m.

**Read Across Hartford: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages: 7 and up. Would you read in a house? Would you read with a mouse? Would you read here or there? Would you read anywhere? Read at least 50 pages during the month of February and help celebrate Read across America with a Dr. Seuss-themed party.

**Camp Field Branch**: Monday, March 2, 3:30 p.m.

**Festival of Colors: Education. (Camp Field)**

Ages 5 and up. Celebrate Holi, an Indian festival marking the arrival of spring. Admire the colorful illustrations accompanying Indian folk tales, and make a beautiful craft.

**Camp Field Branch**, Thursday, March 5, 5:30 p.m.

**Youth Readers Club: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages 6 and up. If you like to read and you want to hang out and talk about books with other readers, then come join this group! We'll show you some of the newest books and talk about what we've been reading lately.

**Camp Field Branch**, Mon., March 9, 3:30 p.m. Tues., March 31 3: 30 p.m.

**Just for fun story time: Early Literacy (Camp Field)**

Ages 3 to 5 with a care providers. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music and movement will be part of this special story time. Please call 860-695-7443 to book large groups in advance.

**Camp Field Branch**, Wednesday, March 11 and 18, 10:00 a.m.

**Every Child Ready to Read Family Story Time: Early Literacy (Camp Field)**

Age's birth-5, with adult friends. An interactive program based on the five practices of the Every Child Ready To Read Initiative – Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, and Playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, sing songs, play games and make a craft to take home!

**Camp Field Branch**, Thursdays, March 12, 19, and 26, 1:30 p.m.

**Junior Marker Lego Club: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages 5 and up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

**Camp Field Branch**, Thurs., March 12, 5:30 p.m. and Wed., March 25, 3:30 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego Club: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages 5 and up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

**Camp Field Branch**, Fridays, March 13, 20 and 27 3:30 p.m.

**Graphic in Nature: Arts & Entertainment (Camp Field)**

Ages 12 and up. Using old strips of magazines and an outline of your favorite animal, create a strikingly colorful one-of-a-kind artwork.

**Camp Field Branch**, Monday, March 16, 3:30 p.m.

**Go Green: Education (Camp Field)**

Ages 3 and up. Traditional Irish story and art project.

**Camp Field Branch**, Tuesday, March 17, 3: 00 a.m.

**Bunnies, Bunnies, Bunnies: Early Literacy (Camp Field)**

Ages 2 to 5 with care providers. Hop to the library for a story and craft.

**Camp Field Branch**, Monday, March 23 and 30 10:00 am.

**Goodwin Branch**  
**460 New Britain Avenue**  
**Hartford, CT 06106**

**For information on Goodwin Branch programs, call 860.695.7480**

**Homework Club: Education (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Fall back into great homework habits with a trip to the library. Drop in after school for homework help and fun activities to get you started. Homework supplies provided.

**Goodwin Branch:** Mondays-Thursdays, March 2-31, 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**Read Across Hartford: Education**

Ages: 7 and up. Would you read in a house? Would you read with a mouse? Would you read here or there? Would you read anywhere? Read at least 50 pages during the month of February and help celebrate Read across America with a Dr. Seuss-themed party.

**Goodwin Branch:** Monday, March 2, 3:30 p.m.

**Southside Friends Play Group: Early Literacy (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages birth-5, with adult friends. Our play and picture book areas are reserved for you! Share toys, books and music while your child meets other children.

**Goodwin Branch:** Wednesdays, March 4, 11, and 18, 10:30 a.m.

**Press Play: Technology (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 12 and up. Show off your skills on the X box 360 console, with a variety of games. Individuals welcome without registration; groups, please sign-up ahead of time.

**Goodwin Branch:** Mondays, March 6,13, 20,and 27, 3:30 p.m.

**Every Child Ready to Read Family Story Time: Early Literacy (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages birth-5, with adult friends. An interactive program based on the five practices of the Every Child Ready To Read Initiative – Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, and Playing. Listen to stories, learn finger plays, sing songs, play games and make a craft to take home!

**Goodwin Branch:** Mondays, March 9,16, and 23, 10:30 a.m.

**Junior Maker Lego® Club: Education (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

**Goodwin Branch:** Tuesday, March 10 and17, 4:30 p.m.

**Crafters: Arts & Entertainment (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Join us each week at our drop-in crafts table for creative inspiration, art activities, and snacks. Check out books on drawing, jewelry making, and more for ideas!

**Goodwin Branch** Tuesdays, March 10, and 31, 5:00 p.m.

**Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash: Education (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Celebrate beloved children's author Dr. Seuss' 111th birthday! Come be part of Thing 1 and Thing 2 characters, enjoy Dr. Seuss' themed games, photo bum and stories.

**Goodwin Branch:** Tuesday, March 10, 5:00 p.m.

**Just For Fun Story Time: Early Literacy (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 3 to 5 with a care provider. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music, and movement will be part of this special story time. Please call 860-695-7480 to book large groups in advance.

**Goodwin Branch:** Fridays, March 13 and 27, 10:30 a.m.

**Go Green! Education (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy the luck of the Irish with an Irish folktale and hands-on activities.

**Goodwin Branch:** Tuesday, March 17, 4:30 p.m.

**Parent/Child Book Club: Education (Goodwin Branch)**

Ages 6-10 with adults. Join us to talk about some great award-winning children's picture books reflecting on themes such as fairness, greed, and courage. This month, we will be reading *Anansi and the Magic Stick* by Eric A Kimmel. This group will meet once a month at the Goodwin Branch library.

**Goodwin Branch,** Tuesday, March 24, 5:00 p.m.

**Mark Twain Branch  
55 Forest Street  
Hartford, CT 06105**

**For information on Mark Twain Branch programs, call 860.695.7540**

**Read Across America Celebration: Early Literacy (Mark Twain)**

Ages 3 and up. Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in Read Across America Day. Listen to some of Dr. Seuss's most famous books, and pledge to read at least two books when you go home tonight to receive a piece of Dr. Seuss's birthday cake.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Monday, March 2, 6:00 p.m

**Hartford Otaku Manga Club: Literacy (Mark Twain)**

Ages 14 and up. Calling all Hartford Otaku! Join us for weekly trivia, projects and convo about your favorite Anime and Manga. Highlights for this month are japanese snacks and make-your-own plushie!

**Mark Twain Branch**, Thursdays, March 5, 12, 19, 3:00 p.m.

**Junior Maker Lego Club: Education (Mark Twain)**

Ages 5 and up. Lego club is back! Put your engineering skills to the test with building challenges and ideas -- or create your own Lego structures from your imagination.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Saturdays, March 7, 28, 11:00 a.m.

**Teen Tech Week: Libraries Are for Making :Technology (Mark Twain)**

Ages 13 and up. Join us to celebrate Teen Tech Week with web-based and physical projects to entertain and inspire!

**Mark Twain Branch**, Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., March 9-13, 3:00 p.m.

**Teen Tech Week Twitter Chat #ttw15: Technology (Mark Twain)**

Ages 14 and up. Join your Twitterbrarian, Miss Katherine, for a fun introduction to twitter chats.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Tuesday, March 10, 4:00 p.m.

**Inch by Inch: Early Literacy (Mark Twain)**

Ages 3-5, with parent/caregiver. Join us for a fun STEM themed storytime blooming with springtime stories, songs and a take home craft activity.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Mondays, March 16, 23, 30, 6:00 p.m.

**X-Ray Goggles: Technology (Mark Twain)**

Ages 8 and up. Join us to learn about the basics of website building with a fun tool, X-Ray Goggles. Make any of your favorite websites look different or funny.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Tuesday, March 17, 4:00 p.m.

**Divergent Party: Literacy (Mark Twain)**

Ages 12 and up. We are celebrating the new Divergent movie, Insurgent with faction themed snacks and activities. Which faction will you choose?

**Mark Twain Branch**, Friday, March 20, 3:00 p.m.

**Popcorn: Technology (Mark Twain)**

Ages 8 and up. Digital popcorn, what's that? Join us to learn how to make cool videos with a web tool called Popcorn. Make a video about your favorite game, movie or book.

**Mark Twain Branch**, Tuesday, March 24, 4:00 p.m.

**OMGlee Party!: Arts & Entertainment (Mark Twain)**

Ages 12 and up. Its time to party in gleeek style as we celebrate the series finale of Glee! Join us for fun activities, favorite episodes, snacks and music, of course!

**Mark Twain Branch**, Thursday, March 26, 3:00 p.m.

**Park Branch  
744 Park Street  
Hartford CT 06106**  
For information on Park Branch programs,  
call 860-695.7501

## **March 2015**

### **Homework Help: Education (Park Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Winter winds can't keep you from great homework habits and a great trip to the library! Drop in after school for homework help and fun activities for the holidays. Homework supplies provided.

***Park Branch, Monday, March 2-31 4:00 p.m.***

### **Seasonal Activity Sheets: Education (Park Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy doing activity sheets about St. Patrick day, Spring, hibernation, rabbit.

***Park Branch, Monday, March 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:45 p.m.***

### **Seussabration Read!: Literacy (Park Branch)**

Ages 6 and up. While Celebrating Read Across America March 2nd enjoy Dr. Seuss book "Oh the Places You'll Go!" and a whimsical activity.

***Park Branch, Tuesday, March 2, 4:00 p.m.***

### **BINGO!: Education (Park Branch)**

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy playing the bingo of the day and win a prize.

***Park Branch, Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 3:00 p.m.***

### **Bye-Bye, Blues: Arts & Entertainment (Park Branch)**

Ages 7 and up. Winter blues dragging you down, get together with friends to have fun playing Jenga, Sorry, Trouble, and other board games.

***Park Branch, Fridays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 3:30 p.m.***

### **Craft Time: Arts & Entertainment (Park Branch)**

Ages 6 and up. Stop by and do the craft of the day that will let you be creative.

***Park Branch, Tuesdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31, 3:45 p.m.***

### **Where Are They?: Education (Park Branch)**

Ages 6 and up. Come together and learn about animals that hibernate during the Winter with books and activity sheets.

***Park Branch, Thursday, March 12, 3:45 p.m.***

### **"WordPlay": Early Literacy (Park Branch)**

Ages 2 to 5, with Parents/Childcare Providers. Innovative story time program that mixes vocabulary, word play, cultural literacy, and creative play to improve school readiness skills and increase parent/caregiver engagement of English Language Learners (ELLs).

***Park Branch, Tuesday, March 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:00 a.m.***

**Babytime, Toddlertime, Preschooltime: Early Literacy (Park Branch)**

Ages. Infant- 5. Story & Creative Play - Join us in our Creative Play Center to explore the components of Every Child Ready to Read® (ECRR). Share special books, educational toys, finger games, music and take home activities to support early literacy skills.

*Park Branch, Thursdays, March 12 19, 26, 10:00 p.m.*

**Animal Hour: Education (Park)**

Ages 5 and up. Enjoy reading about elephant, horse, pig, and other animal facts and enjoy animal cookies.

*Park Branch, Thursday, March 19, 3:45 p.m.*



**Ropkins Branch  
1750 Main Street  
Hartford, CT 06120**

**For information on Ropkins Branch programs, call 860.695.7520**

**READ ACROSS AMERICA CELEBRATION: Early Literacy (Ropkins)**

Ages 3 and up. Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in Read Across America Day. Listen to some of Dr. Seuss's most famous books, and pledge to read at least two books when you go home that night to receive a piece of Dr. Seuss's birthday cake.

**Albany Branch**, Tuesday, March 3, 4:45 p.m.

**Read Across Hartford: Education (Ropkins)**

Ages: 7 and up. Would you read in a house? Would you read with a mouse? Would you read here or there? Would you read anywhere? Read at least 50 pages during the month of February and help celebrate Read across America with a Dr. Seuss-themed party.

**Ropkins Branch**: Wednesday, March 4, 4:00 p.m.

**SEUSSABRATION READ!: Literacy (Ropkins)**

Ages 6 and up. While Celebrating Read Across America on March, enjoy the wonderful Dr. Seuss book *Oh the Places You'll Go!* and take part in a whimsical activity.

**Ropkins Branch** Thursday, March 5, 4:00 p.m.

**FESTIVAL OF COLORS: Education (Ropkins)**

Ages 5 and up. Celebrate Holi, an Indian festival marking the arrival of spring. Admire the colorful illustrations accompanying Indian folk tales and make a beautiful craft.

**Ropkins Branch**, Thursday, March 12, 4:00 p.m.

**BASEBALL FOR KIDS: Education (Ropkins)**

Ages 6 and up. Come and learn about the history of baseball by doing research about who, what, when and where the sport was invented. We will do different baseball related arts and crafts that you can take home and Rocky the Rockcats mascot will be joining us for a special story!

**Ropkins Branch**, Monday, March 16 to Thursday, March 19, 4:00 p.m.

**JUST FOR FUN STORY TIME: Early Literacy (Ropkins)**

Ages 3 to 5 with a care providers. Fun books, interactive flannel stories, music, and movement will be part of this special story time.

**Ropkins Branch**, Tuesday, March 24, and 31, 10:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.