

# Computer Science Education Week

DECEMBER 8-14, 2014

## Hour of Code

The Ridgefield Library is pleased to take part in Computer Science Education Week by offering an array of computer science related programs and events for all ages.

***You're Never Too Old To Code - Seniors***

Monday, Dec. 8, 10 to 11:30 AM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***Bee-Bots Introduction to Programming - Ages 4 and 5***

Monday, Dec. 8, 2 to 2:50 PM  
Leir Children's Program Room - Register

***Ridgefield Codes - Pre-schoolers - Grade 2***

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 5 to 7 PM  
Leir Children's Program Room - Drop in

***Ridgefield Codes - All Ages***

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 5 to 9 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center and Full Library  
Register for 5 - 6 PM & 6 - 7 PM slots, 7 - 9 Drop in. Bring your own device if you have one!

***Bee-Bots Introduction to Programming - Grades K - 2***

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 4:30 to 5:30 PM  
Leir Children's Program Room - Register

***Website Development with DASH - 7th Grade to Adults***

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 6 to 7:30 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***Hour of Code Open Lab - Families***

Thursday, Dec. 11, 4:30 to 6 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***Make Mad Libs with Scratch - Grades 3-5***

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1 to 2:30 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***Build a Website with Weebly - Grade 9 to Adults***

Thursday, Dec. 11, 7 to 9 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***3D Printing Lab Time - 12 & Up After 3D Training***

Friday, Dec. 12, 9 AM to 5 PM (2 hour slots)  
Donofrio Technology Center -  
dlpawl@ridgefieldlibrary.org

***3D Design Using Blender - 12 & Up Who Have Already Taken An Introductory Class***

Saturday, Dec. 13, 10 to 12 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***3D Print a Microscope - Middle School to Adult***

Saturday, Dec. 13, 12:30 to 2:30 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***Introduction to Alice - Interactive Games and Animations - Middle and High Schoolers***

Saturday, Dec. 13, 3 to 4:30 PM  
Donofrio Technology Center - Register

***STEAM Gift Ideas Presentation - All Ages***

Sunday, Dec. 14, 1 PM  
Main Program Room - No registration

***STEAM Gift Ideas Showcase - All Ages***

Sunday, Dec. 14, 1:45 to 5 PM,  
Bossidy Commons - Drop-in

***Robotics Club - Come visit and see what they are up to!***

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2 - 4 PM  
Leir Children's Program Room

For information and to register visit [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org) or call 203-438-2282. We also encourage you to bring your own device (BYOD) and headphones so that we can fit in as many people as possible. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### *The French Twist: Twelve Secrets of Decadent Dining and Natural Weight Management* with Carol Cottrill



Carol's Cottrill's book, *The French Twist*, explores the French attitudes of reverence and respect for food and dining. Based on a desire to take the American obsession with weight and fitness in a new direction, Cottrill exposes the shortcomings of quick-fix fad diets, and encourages readers to examine their unique connections to food. This program is part of the *Noreen L. Papa Mothers Live Your Life* series.

**Wednesday, December 3, 7 PM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## PERFORMANCE

### *A Christmas Memory* by Truman Capote: Presented by JIB Productions

*A Christmas Memory* is a beloved story for all audiences to enjoy at holiday time. Taken from Capote's childhood in the rural south, *A Christmas Memory* centers around the relationship of Capote and Sook, (his distant cousin and best friend). Five actors will take the stage to bring this modern classic to life. Refreshments will be served. This program is part of Holiday Stroll and is suitable for ages 10 through 110!

**Friday, December 5, 7 PM**  
Registration Suggested at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## THEATER

### *Rehearsal Process Presentation* with *History Alive*

Have you ever sat in on what it takes to bring theater alive? Join us during rehearsals for upcoming presentations of *Jack Arabus*, and *Phillis Wheatley: Boston's Black Poetess*. Both History Alive characters are written by Stratford, CT playwright Steve Otfinoski, directed by Ridgefield resident, Steve Boockvor and performed by Rodney Moore and Denise Johnson, both professional actors and CT residents. This program is geared towards teens and adults with an interest in the theatrical process

**Saturday, Dec. 13, 10 AM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## LIVE MUSIC

### *Classical Guitar* with John Lehmann-Haupt



**John Lehmann-Haupt**, who spends his time between Ridgefield and New York, is a guitarist and writer. Known equally for his arrangements of popular and traditional songs and for his classical interpretations, he has released recordings on the Physical World, AIG, and JLH Records labels. He had a twelve-year engagement at Windows on the World (atop the World Trade Center) and was a staff instructor at New York's American Institute of Guitar.

**Thursday, December 4, 7 PM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## ARTALK

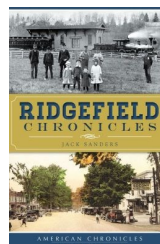
### *Buddhist Sculpture* With Dr. Karen Hwang

In this illustrated talk, art historian Dr. Karen S. Hwang will highlight several exquisite sculptures from India, China, Korea and Japan, as a way of outlining the development of Buddhist art in South and East Asia. Hwang lives in Ridgefield and teaches art history at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, NY. She received her Ph.D from Harvard University, where she concentrated her studies on the arts of the Buddhist caves along the Silk Road.

**Sunday, December 7, 2 PM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## RIDGEFIELD HISTORY

### *Ridgefield Chronicles* with Jack Sanders



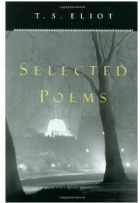


Join us as Ridgefielder **Jack Sanders** discusses his recently released book *Ridgefield Chronicles*.

A Connecticut native and graduate of Holy Cross, Jack Sanders retired in 2014 after 47 years as an editor of the *Ridgefield Press*. He's written a half dozen books of history and natural history.

**Sunday, December 14, 2 PM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

# LIBRARY BOOK GROUPS - NEW READERS WELCOME!

<p><b>NONFICTIONEERS</b></p> <p>Tuesday, December 2 7 PM</p> <p><i>The Brain That Changes Itself</i> by Dr. Norman Doidge</p> <p>Next Month's Selection <b>Tuesday, January 6</b> 7 PM</p> <p><i>The System: The Glory and Scandal of big-Time College Football</i> by Jeff Benedict/Armen Keteyian</p> <p>"The System is a broad survey of the machinery of college football: the money and marketing, the recruiting and classroom pampering, the off-the-books privileges. The authors trace the efforts of various programs and coaches who try to avoid the excess and trickery and do right by their student-athletes. But clearly the system is hard to beat, and it has a corrupting effect on nearly everyone involved." --The Wall Street Journal</p>	<p><b>MURDER BY THE BOOK</b></p> <p>No meeting in December</p> <p>Next Selection <b>Thursday, January 8</b> 1 PM</p> <p><i>Last Bus to Woodstock</i> by Colin Dexter</p> <p>Follow Inspector Morse as he solves the crime of a young woman found murdered in the car park of the Black Prince pub in Woodstock, Oxford.</p>	<p><b>FOUNDERS HALL BOOK GROUP</b></p> <p>No meeting in December</p> <p>Next Selection <b>Thursday, January 8</b> 1 PM</p> <p><i>Death at La Fenice</i> by Donna Leon</p>	<p><b>A.M. BOOK GROUP</b></p> <p>No meeting in December</p> <p>Next Selection <b>Wednesday, January 28</b> 10 AM</p> <p><i>The Pursuit of Love</i> by Nancy Mitford</p> <p>A pair of stories that satirize the country life of the English nobility, by a member of one of the leading families of that "set."</p>
<p><b>BOOKS &amp; BREAKFAST</b></p> <p>Next Meeting <b>Monday, January 12</b> 10:30 AM</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Led by Dorothy Pawlowski</p>	<p><b>CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP</b></p> <p>No meeting in December</p> <p>Next Selection <b>Tuesday, January 20</b> 7 PM</p> <p><i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> by Anthony Doerr</p> <p>Nominated for the National Book Award, this highly acclaimed, beautiful novel follows a blind French girl and a German boy as they both try to survive the devastation of World War II.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p><b>POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP</b></p> <p>Friday, December 19 1 PM</p> <p><b>T. S. Eliot</b> with Dr. Alan Holder</p> <p><i>The Poetry Discussion Group</i> is made possible thanks to <b>The Friends of the Ridgefield Library.</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	



## SKILLSBOX: TOOLS FOR BUSINESS SUCCESS

A new series presented by Ridgefield Library, Ridgefield Chamber of Commerce and SCORE.

### *Is Your Business Prepared for Emergency and Disaster Events?* @ The Library

Join us for a seminar presented by SCORE member Bob Pietrzakiewicz that will provide you with the process and road map to recover from a disaster. Dick Aarons, Ridgefield's Deputy Emergency Manager will also give a brief overview of the Town's emergency plan. This seminar is **ONLY** for those who have a desire to put something down on paper and work actively to develop an emergency preparedness plan.

**Wednesday, December 3, 8 AM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## HEALTH INSURANCE TALKS

### *Health Insurance 2015* with Michael Kerstein

Join us for an information session about open enrollment for 2015 health insurance.

**Saturday, December 6, 9 AM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

### *Medicare Enrollment 2015* with Michael Kerstein

Join us for an information session about Medicare Enrollment for 2015 with Ridgefielder Michael Kerstein, who has worked in the insurance industry for almost 40 years.

**Saturday, December 6, 12 PM**  
Register at [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

# EVENTS CALENDAR - DECEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2 <b>Nonfictioneers:</b> <i>The Brain and How It Changes Itself</i> by Dr. Norman Doidge 7 PM  <b>Meeting:</b> <i>The Writers Guild</i> 7 PM	3 <b>Skillsbox Workshop:</b> <i>Is Your Business Prepared for Emergency and Disaster Events?</i> 8 AM  <b>Author Talk:</b> <i>The French Twist</i> with Carol Cottrill 7 PM	4 <b>Concert:</b> <i>Classical Guitar</i> with John Lehmann-Haupt 7 PM	5 <b>Holiday Stroll Performance:</b> <i>Seasons Readings: A Christmas Memory</i> by Truman Capote 7 PM	6 <b>Information Sessions:</b> <i>Health Insurance</i> 9 AM <i>Medicare</i> 12 PM <b>Tech Topics:</b> <i>Introduction to 3D Modelling Using Blender</i> with Chris Iorillo 10 AM <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Memoir Writing Group</i> 1 PM
7 <b>ARTalk:</b> <i>Buddhist Sculpture of South East Asia</i> with Dr. Karen S. Hwang 2 PM  <b>Fundraiser:</b> <i>We're Doing Downton!</i> 5:30 PM	8 <b>Computer Science Education Week (CSEW) Begins!</b> - Check our website for programs for children.  <b>Workshop:</b> <i>Never Too Old To Code - Computer Coding for Seniors</i> 10 AM	9 <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>Ridgefield Codes</i> - For All Ages 5 to 9 PM	10 <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>Website Development with DASH</i> - 7th Grade to Adults 6 PM  <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Ridgefield Theater Barn Playwrights Collective</i> 7 PM	11 <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>Open Lab Time</i> - For Families 4:30 PM  <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>Build a Website Using Weebly</i> - For High Schoolers and Adults 7 PM	12 <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>Print Your Own - 3D</i> - 9 AM to 5 PM (2 hour slots for people who have had prior 3D training.)	13 <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Shutterbugs Photography Group</i> 9 AM <b>CSEW Class:</b> <i>3D Modelling Using Blender - Part 2</i> 10 AM <b>Presentation:</b> <i>History Alive Rehearsal Process</i> 10 AM
14 <b>CSEW Event:</b> <i>STEAM Gift Ideas Presentation</i> - All Ages 1 PM <b>CSEW Event:</b> <i>STEAM Gift Ideas Showcase</i> 1:45 PM - All Ages <b>Author Talk:</b> <i>Ridgefield Chronicles</i> with Jack Sanders 2 PM	15 <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Library Board</i> 7:30 PM	16	17	18	19 <b>Poetry Discussion Group:</b> <i>Selected Poems of T. S. Eliot</i> 1 PM	20
21	22	23	24 <b>Early Closing:</b> Library closes at 4 PM	25 <b>Library Closed:</b> Christmas Day	26 <b>Library Closed:</b> Boxing Day	27 <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Critique Group</i> 2 PM
28	29	30	31 <b>Early Closing:</b> Library closes at 4 PM	1	2	3