

# The Ridgefield Library



472 Main Street  
Ridgefield, CT 06877

## BIBLIOEVENTS

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February 2011

### Reception and Lecture:

#### *World Views: Focus on Literacy*

#### With African Sky Founder Scott Lacy



Join *Book Clubs for Literacy* and the Library for the kick-off event in a new *Focus on Literacy* series with a lecture by Scott Lacy, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Fairfield University and founder of the charity *African Sky*. *African Sky* builds schools and provides literacy programs for adults along with many other programs that help improve

the lives of people in Mali.

The public is invited to attend a “Sip and See” reception beforehand from 6 - 7 PM at Ayindisa, the fair trade store located across from the Library at 18 Prospect St.

Please register - [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

Wednesday, February 16, 7 PM

### Poetry Reading:

#### *With Connecticut's Poet Laureate*

#### Dick Allen

Dick Allen is the former Charles A. Dana Professor of English and Director of Creative Writing at the University of Bridgeport, where he taught for 33 years. His poetry has appeared in *The Best American Poetry*, *The New Yorker*, and *Atlantic Monthly*, among other publications. His most recent collection, *Present Vanishing: Poems*, received the 2009 Connecticut Book Award for Poetry.



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Thursday, February 24, 7 PM

### Talk:

#### *Everything Scrabble*

#### with Joe Edley



Joe Edley is the only U.S. player to win the U.S. National Scrabble Championship on three separate occasions. He is also a published author, having written or co-written several Scrabble related books including *Everything Scrabble*, 3rd Edition and *Bananagrams!* The talk will focus on

several quick ways you can improve your Scrabble word game skills, as well as offering a free one-page handout of the most important “words to know” to become a better player. Also, don't miss our new monthly *Dabble in Scrabble workshop* - Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1 - 3 PM.

No registration

Saturday, February 5, 10 AM

### Documentary Screening:

#### *Race to Nowhere*

#### At East Ridge Middle School

*Race to Nowhere: The Dark Side of America's Achievement Culture*, a hard hitting education documentary about the high-stakes, high-pressure culture in our schools and our children's lives, will be screened at East Ridge Middle School.

The film is presented by the Ridgefield Public School System and Ridgefield Library, and a panel discussion will follow the screening. The program is free but registration is requested at [www.racetonowhere.com](http://www.racetonowhere.com).

**Sorry the program is now full but if you would like to arrive at the door there may be some no shows!**

Wednesday, February 23, 7 PM

Ridgefield Library, 472 Main Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877, 203/438-2282, [www.ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://www.ridgefieldlibrary.org)

## Concerts:

### *Ridgefield Folk* with Gregory Alan Isakov



Free tickets at the door starting at 1 PM  
thanks to the Friends of the Library

Sunday, February 20, 2 PM

### *Songwriters' Circle* with Chris Belden, Jamie Daruwala, Darryl Gregory and David Wheeler



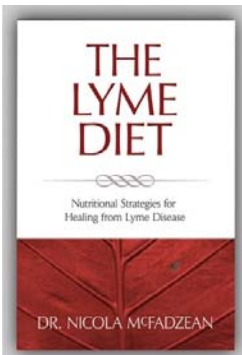
Four local singer/songwriters return to the Library to trade songs and share thoughts about songwriting, inspiration and creativity.

Come and enjoy their live music and banter!

No registration

Saturday, February 12, 2 PM

### Author Talk: *The Lyme Diet* with Dr. Nichola McFadzean



Ridgefield's Lyme Disease Task-force and the Library present a program featuring Nicola McFadzean, N.D. who will discuss her book *The Lyme Diet*. The author is a licensed Naturopathic Doctor and a graduate of Bastyr University in Seattle, WA. She is currently in private practice in her clinic RestorMedicine located in San Diego, California. According to Dr. McFadzean, "our food

should be our medicine. A Lyme sufferer who does everything right in their treatment program but neglects a proper diet has a very low chance of a full recovery."

Please register - [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

Saturday, February 12, 10 AM

### Health Forum: *The Heart of Heartcare*

Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association, WomenHeart and the Library present a program on tackling heart disease. The panelists are:

**Andrei Varnavski**, PhD, Clinical Science Manager with Abbot Laboratories Cardiovascular Division

**Dr. Brian Pollack**, Cardiologist with Cardiac Specialists, PC

**Jennifer Goldwag**, RVNA Clinical Manager

**Emelie Howard**, CT Coordinator for WomenHeart Ms. Howard will also discuss her recently released book about women and Heart Disease called *Heart Stars*.

Please register - [ridgefieldlibrary.org](http://ridgefieldlibrary.org)

Sunday, February 27, 2 PM



### ART Talk: *The Art of Jewelry Design* with Lessley Burke

Lessley Burke, jewelry designer, goldsmith, enamellist and educator, will discuss her creative process and how she works with the many metals, stones and enameling methods she uses to design her fine jewelry.

No registration

Sunday, February 13, 2 PM

### College Seminar: *Making the College Match* with Dr. Gay Pepper and Bill Ford

This program is geared toward high school juniors (and parents) who are beginning the college process.

No registration

Monday, February 7, 7PM

# BOOK GROUPS

## MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, February 3  
1 PM

*The Black Echo*  
by Michael Connelly

Vietnam veteran and LAPD detective Harry Bosch is a maverick with his own code of honor, often at odds with his superiors, his partners and the women who pass in and out of his life. This series combines the technique of the police procedural with the tone of the classic hard-boiled crime novel.

## TUESDAY EVENING NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, February 8  
7 PM

*The Snowball: Warren Buffett and the Business of Life* (Chapters 3 - 6),  
by Alice Schroeder

Next Month's Selection:  
Tuesday, March 1  
7 PM

*Churchill*  
by Paul Johnson

"Johnson clearly shares and revels in Churchill's generosity of spirit and limitless intellectual energy. He has produced a book that is a joy--and a worthy tribute to both of them." - *Washington Times*

## Books & Breakfast

Monday, February 14  
10:30 AM



*Join us for breakfast  
and an informal  
book discussion*

## CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, February 15  
7 PM

*The Forgotten Garden*  
by Kate Morton

A tiny girl is abandoned on a ship headed for Australia in 1913. She arrives completely alone and is raised by the dockmaster and his wife. On her twenty-first birthday, with very little to go on, "Nell" journeys to England to find her real identity "This is a sprawling, old-fashioned novel, as well-cushioned as a Victorian country house, replete with family secrets, stories-within-stories, even a maze and a Dickensian rag-and-bone shop."—*Booklist*



## A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, Feb. 23  
10 AM

*Parrot and Olivier  
in America*  
by Peter Carey

High-strung aristocrat Olivier (loosely based on Alexis de Tocqueville) and his servant Parrot, the orphaned son of an English printer, are unlikely traveling companions in this entertaining historical picaresque by the two-time winner of the Booker Prize.

## POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, February 18  
1 PM

Sponsored by the Friends of  
the Library.

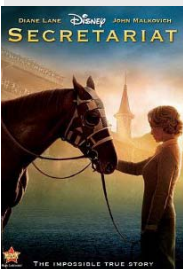
*The Day Before: Poems*  
by Dick Allen

Dick Allen will be reading  
at the Library on Feb 24!

# Hollister Films

## Secretariat (2010)

Rated PG, 123 Minutes



Behind every legend lies an impossible dream. Witness the spectacular journey of an incredible horse named Secretariat and the moving story of his unlikely owner, a housewife who risked everything to make him a champion. Perfect for the whole family.

Tuesday, February 8

1:30 & 7 PM

## The Social Network (2010)


Rated PG13, 120 Minutes



In a fury of blogging and programming, what begins in computer genius Mark Zuckerberg's dorm room soon becomes a global social network. A mere six years and 500 million friends later, Zuckerberg is the youngest billionaire in history, but for this entrepreneur, success leads to both personal and legal complications.

Tuesday, February 22

1:30 & 7 PM

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		1	2	3 <b>Murder By The Book:</b> <i>The Black Echo</i> by Michael Connelly 1 PM	4	5 <b>Talk:</b> <i>Everything Scrabble</i> with Joe Edley 10 AM <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Memoir Writing Group</i> 10 AM <b>Reception:</b> <i>Art of Father and Son</i> 2 - 4 PM
 <p><b>Exhibit:</b> <i>Art of Father and Son - Paintings by Herbert and Yonason Herschlag</i> February 3 - 27 Reception: Saturday, February 5, 2 - 4 PM</p>						
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