



## We're Moving Forward!

Dear Friends,

It is a very exciting time for the Ridgefield Library! With the help of many of you, a referendum was passed securing a town contribution of \$5 million for completion of the New Ridgefield Library. We have raised over \$14.17 million of our \$15 million private fundraising goal, and additional support comes in each week. This means our project is well under way!

## What will happen next?

Perhaps, like many others, you are curious about when and how the next steps will take place. Along with our soon-to-be neighbors, the Prospector Theater, we are proceeding through the Planning and Zoning approval process and are completing the architectural work necessary to send the project out for construction bids very soon.

## When will it all begin?

At this time we anticipate that demolition and site work will begin sometime in July. Construction is scheduled to take 16-18 months from the time the shovel goes in the ground. Before this can happen library operations must pack up and move to a temporary site. We will have a location and a moving date to announce very soon. Rest

assured that library service will continue throughout the construction period (although we may be closed for a short time for the actual re-location). Some things will be different during interim operations from what you are used to, but we are looking forward to offering an exciting and satisfying range of services. In the meantime, you will find us in business at 472 Main Street until moving day arrives.

## What about Summer Reading?

We are busy getting ready for our Summer Reading Program, which will begin a little later than usual, on July 9th, but run a full 6 weeks.

## Stay Tuned!

We always welcome your calls or emails with any questions, comments and ideas. Stay tuned for further announcements, and check our website at [www.thenewridgefieldlibrary.org](http://www.thenewridgefieldlibrary.org) for the latest.

Sincerely,

*Christina B Nolan*

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**Chris Nolan**  
Library Director

**Philip Lodewick**  
Campaign Chair

# BOOK GROUPS

## NONFICTIONEERS

Tuesday, June 5  
7 PM

*Lafayette*

by Harlow Giles Unger

Next Month's Selection

Tuesday, July 3  
7 PM

*Napoleon: A Life*

by Paul Johnson

Paul Johnson offers a vivid look at the life of the strategist, general, and dictator who conquered much of Europe. Following Napoleon from the barren island of Corsica, to his early training in Paris, to his meteoric victories and military dictatorship to his exile and death, Johnson examines the origins of his ferocious ambition. *Napoleon* is a dramatic testimony to a single individual's ability to imprint his will on history.

## MURDER BY THE BOOK

Thursday, June 7  
1 PM

*Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy*

by John le Carré

One of the most popular of the George Smiley series of spy novels by the prolific author, who himself worked for British intelligence early in his career. His books are praised for their depth of character, intricate plots and authentic portrayal of the "real" world of the modern spy services.

## Books & Breakfast

Monday, June 11  
10:30 AM



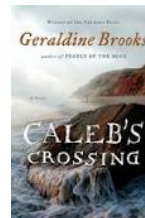
## CRITICS' CIRCLE BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, June 19  
7 PM

*Caleb's Crossing*

by Geraldine Brooks

The year is 1665 and Bethia Mayfield is growing up in a tiny settlement on Martha's Vineyard amid a small band of pioneers and Puritans. Restless and curious, she yearns for an education that is closed to women. When she encounters Caleb, the young son of a Wampanoag chieftain, the two forge a secret friendship that draws each into the alien world of the other. Brooks based this novel on facts surrounding the first Native American to graduate from Harvard College.



## POETRY DISCUSSION GROUP

Friday, June 15  
1 PM

*Departure: Poems*

By Rosanna Warren

Sponsored by The Friends

## A.M. BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, June 27  
10 AM

*The Secret Scripture*  
by Sebastian Barry

The potential closing of the mental hospital where she has lived for decades prompts 100-year-old Rose to reflect on her life – and thus on all the major traumas of Irish history in the 20th century. "Written in captivating, lyrical prose, Barry's novel is both a sparkling literary puzzle and a stark cautionary tale of corrupted power" from the Irish playwright and novelist (Publisher's Weekly).

# Hollister Films

**NOTE: Movies Shown on Wednesdays During the Summer**

## The Beaver

2011, PG13, 91 Minutes



Walter, once a successful and happy family man, has hit rock bottom. But, in his darkest hour, he finds a rather unusual savior: a beaver hand-puppet that takes over Walter's life in an attempt to change things for the better. Jodie Foster directs and co-stars with Mel Gibson in a film critics call bold, complex, and funny.

Wednesday, June 13

1:30 & 7 PM

## Albert Nobbs

2011, Rated R, 113 Minutes



Nominated for 3 Academy Awards including Best Actress and Best Supporting Actress, Glenn Close (Albert Nobbs) gives a "powerhouse performance" (New York Post) as a woman who passes as a man in order to work and survive in 19th century Ireland. Some thirty years after donning men's clothing, she finds herself trapped in a prison of her own making.

Wednesday, June 27

1:30 & 7 PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1 <b>Benefit &amp; Auction:</b> <i>Last Hurrah</i> 6:30 PM	2 <b>Community Open House:</b> <i>Moving Forward Celebration</i> 9 AM to 5 PM  <b>Memoir Group:</b> <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 10 AM
3	4	5 <b>Workshop:</b> <i>Writing Parenthood</i> with Phyllis Ross <b>FULL</b> 10:30 AM  <b>The Nonfictioneers:</b> <i>Lafayette</i> by Harlow Giles Unger 7 PM	6	7 <b>Murder by the Book:</b> <i>Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy</i> by John le Carré 1 PM	8	9 <b>Shutterbugs:</b> <i>Monthly Meeting</i> 9:30 AM
10	11 <b>Discussion:</b> <i>Books and Breakfast</i> with Dorothy Pawlowski 10:30 AM	12	13 <b>Hollister Film Series:</b> <i>The Beaver</i> 1:30 & 7 PM	14 <b>Founders Hall Discussion:</b> <i>The Senator's Wife</i> by Sue Miller 2:30 PM	15 <b>Poetry Discussion Group:</b> <i>Departure: Poems</i> by Rosanna Warren 1 PM	16
17	18	19 <b>Critics' Circle Book Group:</b> <i>Caleb's Crossing</i> by Geraldine Brooks 7 PM  <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Writers Guild of Ridgefield</i> 7 PM	20	21	22	23
24	25 <b>Meeting:</b> <i>Library Board</i> 7:30 PM	26	27 <b>AM Book Group:</b> <i>The Secret Scripture</i> by Sebastian Barry 10 AM  <b>Hollister Film Series:</b> <i>Albert Nobbs</i> 1:30 & 7 PM	28	29	30
<p><b>Note:</b> The Hollister Film Series movies will be screened on Wednesdays over the summer so that you can also enjoy the Tuesday evening concerts in the park.</p>						