



# COMING UP

# @MTL

## Fairfield County's Giving Day

Thursday, February 27th

On Fairfield County's Giving Day, we hope you will not hesitate to select Mark Twain's Library, where Books are Just the Beginning of the ways your thoughtfulness will make countless neighbors smile.

Keep your eyes out for the donate button which will be just a click away on February 27th.



Tuesday, February 25th | 7:30-8:30PM

### Successful Aging: Your Long-term Plan

Join our panel of experts as they present you with a pathway to building a long-term plan for successful aging. Together we will explore retirement financial planning, elder law and aging life care options. This program is co-hosted with the Mark Twain Library Small Business Circle(SBC).



Our expert panel consists of Redding residents and members of the SBC: Financial Consultant Matthew J Robey, ChFC; Elder Law Attorney Michael LaMagna; Aging Life Care Specialist Florisa Zinghini

Register for This Event Here

Tuesday, February 25th | 1:30-2:30PM

### Weekly Drop-In Knitting Circle

Our popular weekly drop-in knitting circle meets every Tuesday. Bring your own knitting, crochet or needlepoint project or learn basic techniques like casting on, and the knit and purl stitches. If you're new to knitting and want to give it a try, we will have a selection of yarn and needles to test out.



*Registration is not required for this program.*

Wednesday, February 26th | 7:30-9:00PM

## Conversations in a Brave Space: Bias, Oppression, Privilege & Change - Session 3

In an effort to continue our conversation about race and the belief that social change happens at the community level we are pleased to offer the 3rd session in our 4-part series of discussions about race in America.

In this discussion we will focus on "Privilege," guided and moderated by Redding resident Sharon Young, Ph.D., L.C.S.W., Associate Professor, Department of Social Work at Western Connecticut State University.

Are you uncertain how to answer questions such as "What is whiteness?" and "What does it mean to have privilege?" If so join us in exploring the topic of "white privilege," its origins, and what it means today.

Thursday, February 27th | 10:30AM-12:00PM

## A Trio of Boxes Workshop

Join local artist, Deb Owen, to make a nesting trio of treasure boxes out of fanciful paper. Deb will demonstrate how to make these beautiful boxes out of ordinary paper with the help of decoupage and assist you in creating your own. Personalize your boxes with meaningful words or designs. These boxes make the perfect place to store your treasures or gift to someone special. No experience necessary. All materials supplied.

*Registration required and space is limited.*

Friday, February 28th | 11:00AM-12:30PM

## Classics Book Club: "The Prince"

This group is led by popular leader Catherine Riordan who contributes her love of reading and background in literature to the discussion. The group reads both old and new classic titles. Copies of the latest book will be available at the Library's front desk.

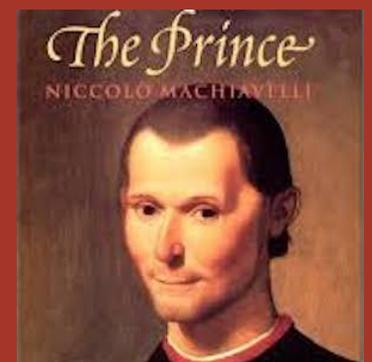
This Month: *The Prince* by Niccolò Machiavelli



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# Now Accepting Donations! 25th Annual Frog Frolic



Let us give new life to your:

- New un-used birthday gifts (valued at \$5 + up)
- Small tchotchke toys (the little plastic one you wish would disappear)
- Stuffed animals

*Drop off all donations @ the MTL during Library hours: Attn: Sandi*

**Save the Date!**  
**Saturday, May 16th**  
**10:00AM-4:00PM**  
*Rain or Shine*

## *Did You Know?*

### Sustainability @ MTL

The Mark Twain Library is committed to doing our part in contributing to and sustaining a cleaner, healthier environment, from solar panels to a more eco-friendly heating system.



### Rediscover Your Heritage

Not all ancestry websites are the same. At the Mark Twain Library we offer access to databases that are more selective, quality-controlled and specialized than some of the free sites. All you need is a library card.



### We Want Your Input

In trying to better understand how to continue to improve the Mark Twain Library - its offerings, programs and events - we would greatly appreciate your input as we develop our long-term strategic plan. The survey is just a click away and should only take 10 minutes to complete. If you have not already taken it, we encourage you to do so now. Many thanks, your opinion matters to us!

**The Mark  
Twain Library  
of the future?**

**You are invited  
to help us  
figure it out.**

[Click Here to Take  
the Survey](#)

