



Ledyard High News

ISSUE 5

50TH YEAR

May-June 2014

PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

May 27, 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Today was my middle child's fourth birthday. I mention this because I am stunned that my mischievous little monster is already four. It seems scarcely possible that so much time could have passed so quickly, that so many milestones could already be behind us, that he will climb up the impossibly tall school bus steps all by himself next year and head off to full days of Pre-K. I imagine my disbelief mirrors the incredulity racing through many of your minds as well...especially the parents and guardians of our seniors.

I'm willing to bet that the milestones and memories are playing on a mental slideshow that constantly repeats these days. It's probably a jumble of swaddled babies and joyful parents; pointed birthday hats above rosy cheeks and flickering cake candles; muddy toddlers in backyard mischief; beaming kids astride brand new bikes; classic photos in first day attire; focused faces at concerts and ball games and dance recitals; jackets and ties and fancy dresses through communions and bar mitzvahs, quinceañeras and formal dances.

These four years have passed in a flash, and to borrow the words of Charles Dickens, I'm sure your kids would say, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." Snapshots of both probably stand out for each of you. You can picture their heartbreaks, their disappointments, their struggles. You remember the history project that nearly killed them. You remember the day they didn't get the solo they auditioned for. You remember when victory at the big game went to the other guys. But you also remember watching them rise from all of those things. You've seen them be resilient and brave. You've watched them swallow their doubts and insecurities in order to continue working towards becoming the young men and women they are each meant to be. You've reveled in their successes, celebrating all the intangible, wonderful things that have filled you for 18 years with a pride and love that simply cannot be described...and cannot be diminished.

As you enjoy these last, heady weeks of high school with your once-and-forever babies, please know that it has been our pleasure...it has been my privilege...to share the best of times and the worst of times with them, too. I look forward to celebrating their graduation with you all on Saturday, June 21, at 6:00 pm on the football field.

To all of our parents and guardians, to all of you who have worked so tirelessly with us this year as partners in your children's education, **thank you**. There is indisputable truth in the old adage: it takes a village to raise a child. We are so grateful to be part of your village.

Wishing you all a safe and restful summer—

Amanda O. Fagan
Principal, Ledyard High School

INDEX

AP Biology	10
Athletics:	
General	12
National Division Letters of Intent	12
Fall 2014 Sports	13
Advice from the Nurse re Injury	14
Calendar of Events	3
Career Center News	4
Guidance & School Counseling News	4
Inner Visions Scholarship	3
Ledyard Idol	6
Letter to Next Year’s Senior Parents (Cl of 2015)	7
Library News	14
Literary Arts Night	19
Marine Science 1	10
Marine Science Uconn ECE	9
National Endowment for the Humanities	10
National Honor Society News	11
Principal’s Letter	1
Raffle for Prime Parking at Graduation	11
Seniors Recognized for Achievement in the Arts	18
Teen Summer Reading and Other Activities	16

**LEDYARD HIGH SCHOOL
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
May to June 2014**

May 2014

30, 31 Spring Choral Concert 7:30 Gaucher Auditorium

June 2014

3 **Awards Night** **6:30** **Gaucher Auditorium**
6 Spring Instrumental Concert 7:30 Gaucher Auditorium

9, 10, 11, 12 **SENIOR EXAMS** (First two blocks of each day. Seniors may leave at 11:00 a.m.)
13 Regular A day for underclassmen, Make-up day for seniors

16,17 **SENIORS REHEARSE FOR GRADUATION**
16,17,18,19 **EXAMS** for grades 9, 10, 11 (Dismissal at 11:00 a.m. each day)

20 Makeup Day (End of school year)
21 Graduation 6:00 Mignault Football Field
(In the case of inclement weather: Judy Dowe Standish Gymnasium)

***Inner Visions* Scholarship**



Melissa Billing, LHS Poet Laureate 2013-14 and short story writer, is the first recipient of the *Inner Visions* Scholarship. The award, given to a senior for outstanding contributions to literature, was established to commemorate the literary success of alumnus Joseph Rosen (2013). Congratulations to Melissa, who will attend Amherst College this fall.

SCHOOL COUNSELING NEWS

ATTENTION: SENIORS

The green forms named “Final grade report for college” have been distributed during advisory period . These forms ask for information on where each of you want your final transcript sent. Please be sure to return this completed form to guidance ASAP and include with it a stamped business size envelope addressed to your college. Your final transcript cannot be sent unless this process is completed. (If you need another form, pick one up in the Guidance Office.)

CURRENT JUNIORS, SAVE THIS DATE:

August 19th is Senior Year Prep Day at LHS for the Class of 2015 to begin the college application process by creating a common application account, revising and completing a brag sheet, updating a resume, and initiating the necessary steps in Naviance, plus more.

SUMMER SCHOOL:

Information for programs in our area are available in the school counseling office. Please be sure to see your counselor if you feel you will be attending summer school.

2014-2015 SCHEDULE UPDATE:

The school Counseling Department will make every effort to have 2014-2015 schedules completed and mailed by the end of June.

SAT's and ACT's:

Next year's seniors: Please be sure to visit www.collegeboard.org or www.actstudent.org to register for the October and November test dates. This will ensure that you will meet the early fall registration deadlines.

Career Center News

Career Day

Career Day was held on the morning of Thursday, April 10th. Career Day is a portion of the school day devoted to career exploration where each student participates in three distinct classroom presentations. Students complete a survey to determine what types of professions interest them most. The Career

Center then factors in where the labor demands are and recruits willing professionals that relate to the interests of the majority of the students.. Students are then assigned to hear three speakers. Each presentation lasts 25 minutes. Presenters provide information such as how they came into their jobs, how high school academics relate, what higher education or training is required, what the pros and cons of their professions are, and what a typical day involves. Over 70 professionals came for Career Day.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This time of year is usually very busy in the Career Center as students are looking for part-time and summer employment opportunities. However, it has been difficult this year as a number of employers have reduced their workforce and as a result fewer students are finding summer employment.

I have encouraged students who are looking for employment to be proactive and approach businesses to ask them if they are hiring. I urge them to dress professionally, ask to speak to a manager, give a strong handshake, make eye contact, ask if they are hiring, and ask for an application to fill out. After the application has been submitted, follow up in a week or two. Don't wait for them to call. Being assertive shows enthusiasm. I tell them that a brief résumé is also a professional touch and it will make them stand out from other applicants. Naviance has a simple résumé for students to use. Also, if anyone would like help with a résumé they are welcome to come to the Career Center for assistance. The Career Center also has a listing of volunteer opportunities.

Students under 18 are reminded that they cannot start any job without first securing working papers (statement of age) from the school. In order to provide work permits, students must bring in a Promise of Employment from their potential employer. This Promise of Employment should be on company letterhead and should contain the job description, wages to be paid, and be signed by a manager. Working Papers are available in the Career Center (or Main Office from Mrs. Campo or Mrs. Schultz when school is not in session). Students should also bring along a legal document with their birthdate such as a CT driver's license, drivers permit, military identification card, passport or birth certificate. It is a good idea for students seeking working papers during the summer to call the LHS main office to make sure someone will be there who can assist them.

There are also restrictions on hours and locations governing the employment of minors. This information is available in the Career Center or by visiting the Connecticut Department of Labor's web site: <http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us> and clicking on <Youth Employment>.

Students who are 14 and 15 years old should not be too discouraged when they are unable to secure work. They should be encouraged to pursue volunteer opportunities that will prepare them for future employment opportunities. Community service is a complement to a young student's resume for work and for college. It is also a great way to give back to their community.

Employers often comment about the casual attitudes of youth in the workplace, specifically concerning attire, socializing and work habits. Students are reminded that the workplace is the "adult world" and their behaviors should conform to the environment. Remember, all employers become references for future potential employers to contact.

The Career Center is happy to assist students with job search and interviewing skills, to help them create a resume, and to go over the proper work application process with them.

Summer Programs to Enrich and Motivate

While summer is traditionally a time for baseball, hot dogs, apple pie and summer camp, high school students can take advantage of the numerous enrichment opportunities available through colleges and other organizations. These opportunities can provide the support and motivation to improve academics or to introduce and expand technical skills in related career fields. Students and their parents are encouraged to explore the numerous programs either on-line or by visiting the Career Center at LHS. Costs and application deadlines vary.

If you have any questions, please call the Career Center at (860)464-9600 Ext. 6147

Save the Date

College Fair will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2014

Look for more information in the fall!!

LEDYARD IDOL

Sponsored by the LHS Key Club as a fundraiser for the America Heart Association

Key Club is proud to announce that **Avery Davies** is the newly crowned Ledyard Idol 2014.

Thank you to all the contestants and to our judges, Mr. Jim Wisniewski, Rosie Wells, and Jill Brennan.

The Key Club raised over \$200 for the American Heart Association.

LETTER TO NEXT YEAR'S SENIOR PARENTS

May 23, 2014

Dear parents and guardians of the senior class of 2015:

Can you believe they are seniors already? Wasn't it just yesterday they were in diapers? Time really does fly! Just wait until you see how fast next year goes! Before all the excitement begins, please take a minute to make plans for your senior's yearbook portrait.

All portraits will be taken at the high school in the agri-science library. This year's scheduled times are:

May 28-29 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm
July 16-18 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
August 18-20 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

September 17-19 from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm
October 14-16 from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Our photographers, Prestige Portraits by Lifetouch, will be mailing each student an appointment card. Please try your best to keep this appointment. If that is not possible, please access their online system to reschedule. Summer photography appointments will be more relaxed than those offered in the fall when there are longer waits and students have to stay after school.

Please contact the company directly about packages and prices for the sitting. There is absolutely no charge for the required yearbook picture, and students are under no obligation to purchase anything.

To be included in the yearbook, it will be the student's responsibility to have Prestige Portraits by Lifetouch take a picture that meets the following requirements: ***a head-and-shoulders shot in a soft blue background with no props or hands included. It may not be in soft focus, backlit, or a glamour shot.***

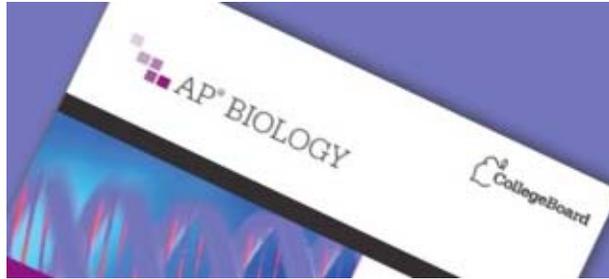
Prestige Portraits by Lifetouch will send proofs to your home. Seniors need to go online to select their choice of a yearbook pose by the specified date. If seniors do not notify the company of their choice, the choice will be made for them. Pictures from other photographers *will not* be accepted for the yearbook.

If you have any questions regarding senior portraits, please call Prestige Portraits by Lifetouch at **1-800-426-9533**.

Sincerely,

Bill Friskey
Journalism Advisor

Haley Hinton
Horizons Editor-in-Chief



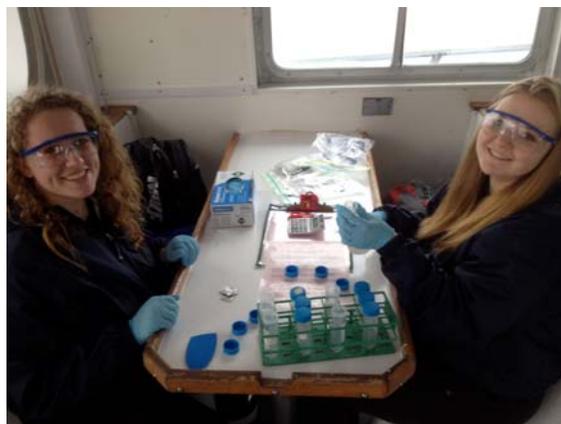
Advanced Placement Biology

Well, the exam is over We had a record tying 93% of the class take the exam on May 12th. Congratulations to all of you- you did it! Hopefully all of the hard work and time put in will yield favorable results. The class took a full day trip with Project Oceanology after the exam. The gull rookery trip planned was scrubbed due to high winds. The groups showed extreme adaptability with a change in program to study the ecosystems and history of Pine Island, Groton CT. This island has been used for hundreds of years for uses such as farming, a fertilizer plant and a as part of the coastal defense network in WWII. The group, armed with clippers and loppers, opened existing trails that marine science classes use to move about the island and made some incredible discoveries. We unearthed a WWII era gun emplacement and other historic structures.



UConn ECE Marine Science

The class spent a full day on the water in early April as part of our physical oceanography unit. Before we got to work with water chemistry, currents and sediment collection, we stopped at the “haunted lighthouse” to see if Ernie the ghost was about.... No creepy sightings, but a great view from the top!



The class will go on their final Project Oceanology trip later in May to Pine Island. They will use the trip as part of our environmental issues & concerns chapter. Students will collect and sort floatable debris, analysis to follow at school.

Marine Science I

Each Marine Science I class visited Pine Island in May for its final Project Oceanology field trip. Groups were responsible for collecting physical and biological data for particular ecosystems found on this island. Marsh teams determined elevation, peat depth and plant cover. Several teams pulled nets to sample the flora and fauna of the subtidal environments. Following this trip, students worked on a group project, constructing a poster and paper detailing the environment that they investigated.



National Endowment for the Humanities

Landmarks of American History and Culture Workshops for Teachers

Two Ledyard High School teachers, Thomas Green and Barbara Park, have been selected from a national pool of applicants to attend week-long workshops offered through the National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks of American History and Culture. Mr. Green, a music teacher, will travel to Kansas City, Missouri, for *Crossroads of Conflict: Contested Visions of Freedom and the Missouri-Kansas Border Wars*, and Ms. Park, English teacher, will attend *The American Revolution on the Northern Frontier: Fort Ticonderoga and the Road to Saratoga*.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

It has been a busy year for NHS! We can't believe the year is wrapping up already. Yet another reading day went off without a hitch. NHS members spent the day with local elementary school students at Ledyard Center School. NHS members not only read to kids and brought them goldfish, but helped teachers clean and organize their rooms as well.

NHS never takes a break -- multiple projects took place over vacation. Over April Break a few students helped Nate Lahti with his Eagle Scout project renovating and cleaning up a local cemetery. Also over break, NHS students helped with the Ledyard clean up day, clearing paths of trash near Chriswood Trace. The people cleaning were very grateful for the help.

On Saturday May 17, a number of NHS students helped the Ledyard Garden Club at their annual plant sale. It was a great time and an absolutely beautiful day to enjoy the spring weather and get those gardens ready for the summer.

The May Coffee house, the biggest of the year, was an enormous success. While weather didn't permit the event to be in the courtyard as planned, nothing could rain on the success of this coffee house. With 24 performers signing up and an eager audience, this event was a great way for students to kick off the spring and spend time with their friends. The coffee house went so well, that while the May coffee house is usually the last of the year, we decided to have a June coffee house because of the overwhelming response to the May one. We will attempt to have this last one outside again, so cross your fingers for better weather this time.

NHS has had a great year and we are ready to end this year with a bang and come back from vacation refreshed and ready to do it again. Have a great summer everyone!

ATTENTION: SENIOR PARENTS (Class of 2014)

Starting next Friday, May 30th, we will be holding a raffle for the two prime parking spots for graduation night. Tickets will be available for purchase during first lunch or in the LHS Main Office. Tickets are \$5 each and two winners will be drawn. You can also contact Ann-Marie Booth at abooth@ledyard.net with questions or to purchase tickets.

The LHS Senior Class Party Committee

Ledyard High School Athletics



Ledyard High School Athletics is enjoying another terrific sports season this spring. Congratulations to our boys' lacrosse team and baseball team for capturing their respective ECC divisional championships. LHS has now captured eight league titles in the 2013-14 school year! Congratulations to all of our student-athletes and coaches for their success this season.

You can stay updated with post-season play for all of our teams by logging onto casciac.org. Get out and support our outstanding student-athletes as state competition begins. You also can get LHS athletic updates by following the twitter page of [@ledyardsports](https://twitter.com/ledyardsports).

Our fall sports season is right around the corner. All students who are interested in playing a sport in the fall should update their medical records with Mrs. Fields in the Nurse's office before the end of the school year. Fall Sports Night will take place on Monday August 18th at 7:30pm in the school auditorium. All students who plan on playing a fall sport should attend the meeting with a parent or guardian. Football and Cheerleading will officially start practice on Wednesday August 13. Volleyball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Girls Swimming, and our new co-op field hockey team with Fitch will start their seasons on Saturday August 23.

If you have any questions, please contact LHS Athletic Director Jim Buonocore at 860-464-9600 ext. 6123 or at jbuonocore@ledyard.net. GO COLONELS!

NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT DIVISION 1 ATHLETICS

Four of Ledyard High School's senior student-athletes have recently signed National Letters of Intent to continue their academic and athletic careers at the Division 1 level.

Joe Carter has committed to the University of Rhode Island
Chenoa Sebastian to St. John's University
Lauren Scahill to the University of Connecticut
Hannah Hutchins to Utah State

A National Letter of Intent provides the student-athlete an opportunity to make a binding commitment to a school. The NL1 is accompanied with an athletic scholarship. By signing a NL1 the student-athlete will no longer be subject to further recruiting contacts and calls, and he/she will be assured of an athletic scholarship for one academic year.

Information regarding Fall 2014 Sports

Every sports season necessitates some up-to-date medical form(s) to be eligible to participate. All athletes are required to have a complete physical exam annually. The period of time between last year's physical and the next year's physical should be no more than 13 months. We allow the extra month to accommodate insurance, as well as scheduling issues.

Please note: We will not have a record of a physical if the Health Assessment Record ("Blue physical form") has not been turned in to the LHS Nursing Office.

* If your athlete **has** a current, complete physical exam (less than 13 months ago) on record at the LHS Nursing Office, he/she will need a parent/guardian to complete an Interim Sports Form to be eligible to play a sport in the fall of 2013. This needs to be turned in to LHS Nursing Office.

* If your athlete **does not have** a current, complete physical exam on record at the LHS Nursing Office, he/she will need to do one of the following:

1. Get a copy of the Health Assessment Record ("Blue physical form") to the LHS Nursing Office. Make sure the physical is not out-dated (more than 13 months ago), and make sure the Parent Section (page 1 of the form) is completed and current.
2. Schedule a physical exam appointment with his/her physician **before** tryouts. Turn in the Health Assessment Record, with the completed Parent Section, to LHS Nursing Office **before** tryouts.

- **FOOTBALL/CHEERLEADING**: start August 13th.
- **ALL OTHER SPORTS**: start August 23rd.

Where can I get the forms?

- Go to <http://www.Ledyard.net>, click on the LHS tab. Next, select "Athletics." You can find both the Interim Sports Form and the physical form there. Download and complete.
- Pick up the forms at LHS Nursing Office. If we are out of the office, the forms will be available at the Main Office.
- Your doctor's office may have copies of the Health Assessment Record.
- NOTE: The Return-To-Play form is situation-specific and may be required after an injury.

How do I get the forms to you so he/she can be medically cleared to participate?

- Mail to LHS, Attention Nurse.
- Fax directly to the LHS Nursing Office at 860-464-2081.
- Drop them off at LHS Nursing Office or the Main Office.
- Scan completed forms and send via email to tfields@ledyard.net

If you want to avoid long lines at **Sports Night**, August 18, 2014, get the forms to us ASAP.

Please don't hesitate to e-mail or call (860)464-8940 if you have questions. If you have a complicated situation, we may be able to help you with this process.

The Nurses will be in the office periodically throughout the summer until the second week in August, then daily.

ADVICE FROM THE NURSE

Summer is coming and, although many of our students participate in sports year-round, many people step up sports participation in the warm summer months. Participating in sports is an excellent way to stay in shape and improve general physical and mental health. If there is a down side to sports it is in the potential for injury that can limit participation over the short-term or even cause long-term problems.

Approximately 95 % of sports injuries involve minor trauma to the soft tissues (muscles, ligaments and/or tendons) and result in sprains, strains and contusions. Contusions are bruises resulting in pain and discoloration due to bleeding under the skin. Sprains are injuries to ligaments, bands of fibrous tissue that connect bones together. The severity of a sprain is rated in degrees characterized by mild stretching of the ligament in a Grade 1 sprain to a total tear in Grade 3 sprains. A strain is an injury to a muscle or a tendon (tendons connect muscles to bones). Both sprains and strains result in pain of varying degrees, swelling and difficulty in bearing weight on the affected body part. They can affect muscles, tendons and ligaments anywhere in the body. Treatment of these injuries generally calls for "RICE" which stands for rest, ice, compression and elevation. Severe injuries involving obvious fractures or dislocations, prolonged swelling and severe pain should be evaluated by a professional.

Proper treatment of a sports-related injury is important, but knowing how to prevent the injury in the first place is even better. Make sure to warm up and cool down properly before and after practice. Staying limber by doing stretching and strengthening exercises can help prevent muscle injuries. Good shoe support can correct foot and knee problems that could lead to injury. Be sure not to ignore a problem as it develops: proper care of injuries early can prevent something more disabling later on.

If you participate in sports at Ledyard High and develop a problem, you may see the Athletic Trainer, who is available to students by appointment. Just have your child coordinate this appointment with their coach.



Library Resources 24/7

<http://lhs.ledyard.libguides.com/home>

slantelme@ledyard.net Mrs. Lantelme, *MLS, LHS School Librarian*

Keep on **READING** during the **SUMMER!**

Join the region as we read *The Dirty Life*, by Kristen Kimball.

Attend events and book discussions surrounding the topic of WORK!

Bookmark: <http://onebookoneregion.org> for up to date event listings

Need to cool off during the summer?

The Ledyard Libraries are **OPEN** during the Summer!

Hours: Monday through Thursday 9 AM to 9 PM

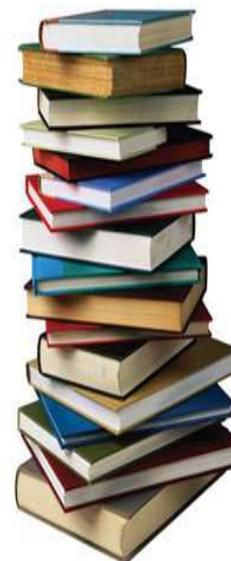
Fridays 9 AM to 5 PM Saturdays 9 AM to 1 PM

Be sure to pick up a library card at your public library!

Change in Follett's E Reader App

Follow this link to change access to our Ebooks:

<http://aboutfollettebooks.com/enlight-reader.cfm>



3 ways to **save money** ~ **School, Public, & State Libraries**

~ Access is **FREE** ~

~ Install these **Apps** ~ **READ**

1. Ledyard High School Library (<http://lhs.ledyard.libguides.com/home>)



Install the **Catalist Digital Mobile App**

Log in ~ Choose a *Title* ~ Start Listening

What's my log in? Ask Mrs. Lantelme (slantelme@leydard.net)

READREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREADREAD



2. **Ledyard Public Library** (<http://www.ledyard.lioninc.org>):



Overdrive Media App ~ install on your device: <http://omc.overdrive.com/>

3. CT State Digital Library – iconn.org



The **OneClickdigital eAudio App**

Create an account first: [OneClickdigital](http://iconnct.oneclickdigital.com/Home/Featured.aspx) (<http://iconnct.oneclickdigital.com/Home/Featured.aspx>) website.

Install OneClickDigital App through iTunes onto your device. Log in and choose the book you want to listen to! Looking for what is available? Advance Search for only those available for check out.

http://iconnct.oneclickdigital.com/Help/Player%20Tutorial.aspx#Before_you_first_eBook_checkout_on_OneClickdigital



Summer Programs at Ledyard Public Libraries

Teen Summer Reading 2014

Spark a Reaction @ your library

This program is open to **students entering grades 7-12th in fall 2014**. There will be **four weekly prize winners** (two at each library), and **entries may be earned by reading a book, attending a teens-only program, or volunteering**. You can volunteer in **two-hour shifts at either library** helping the younger children with their summer reading program, or by **helping with story, cooking, scratch coding, and craft events** for younger children. All volunteers will receive a certificate documenting the number of hours worked. **Prizes will be awarded for the most books read and the most volunteer hours** accumulated during the summer.

Volunteer orientation dates are as follows: Please **bring your family calendar** so you can sign up for your first few volunteer shifts at the session. You are welcome to **bring your tablet or laptop if you like**. You only need to attend one session. **If you are unable to attend any of the below sessions, you must make arrangements before June 27th with Mrs. Buka or Mrs. Brewer.**

- **Tues., June 17th Bill Library 6:30 p.m.**
- **Thurs., June 19th Bill Library 4:00 p.m.**
- **Mon., June 23th Bill Library 6:30 p.m.**
- **Tues., June 24th Bill Library 6:30 p.m.**
- **Thurs., June 26th Bill Library 6:30 p.m.**

Special Event: Book Domino Fall

Monday, June 23 at 9:15 a.m.
Bill and Gales Ferry Libraries

We will be holding book domino falls at both libraries to kick-off to Summer Reading, and would love to have you participate! Join us in **setting up the books on Saturday June 21 or Sunday June 22**. We will also be registering **helpers to film the fall on Monday**, so please be at the library with your video camera, tablet, or smart phone by 8:45 a.m. Videos may be brought in or emailed to the library Dropbox account from a link on the library website. Those who are interested can **sign up to help Mrs. Buka edit the resulting footage into a video** to be placed on YouTube and the library website.

Come enjoy Teens-only Maker Activities: Bring a friend or two!

- **Ductigami** Wednesday, July 2, 6:00 at Gales Ferry Library. This classic DIY workshop is back! Use your creativity to make cool things out of duct tape.
- **Wrap your earbuds & headphones** Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m. at Bill Library. Encase your cords with embroidery floss, hemp, charms, etc. to personalize them.
- **Washi Tape Bangles** Tuesday, July 15, 6:00 p.m. at Gales Ferry Library. Create bracelets inspired by Alex & Ani, using washi tape to customize your charms.
- **Stop-motion Animation Workshop** Tuesdays, July 22 & 29, 6:30 p.m. Using play dough, Legos, or clothes pin figures, make a video using this fun technique.
- **Sci-Fi movie marathon** Friday, July 25, 3:00 to 11:00 p.m. (approx.) Enjoy 2001: a Space Odyssey, Gravity, and Ender's Game, while noshing on popcorn & pizza. Trivia questions & prizes!
- **Teens Cook: Cool Foods** Thursday, July 31, 3:30 at Bill Library. Hands-on workshop making cool summertime foods such as a watermelon "basket", bell pepper dip "cups", etc.
- **SCRATCH Coding Workshop** Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 p.m. at Bill Library. No experience necessary! Learn an easy way to code and make sprites move on the screen. Then sign up to help teach it to 4-6th graders on August 7th, if you choose.
- **Ice Cream Social** Friday, August 15, 5:30 p.m. at Bill Library. Prizes awarded to those who read & volunteered the most this summer. Pick up your volunteer certificate while enjoying a yummy sundae with all the toppings. We will also brainstorm ideas for next summer and make a "Thank You" poster for the Friends of the Library, our sponsors.

Looking forward to a great summer with you all,

Andrea Buka, Teen Program Coordinator, Ledyard Public Libraries
teenlibrarian@ledyard.lioninc.org
www.ledyard.lioninc.org
860.464.9912

Seniors Recognized for Achievements in the Arts



Front row, left: Emily Renski, and right: Elizabeth Bauman
Back row, left: Instrumental music teacher Thomas Green, and
right: Art teacher Kathleen Flanagan

On April 8, the Connecticut Association of Schools, Jostens, and Bearingstar Insurance sponsored the Nineteenth Annual Connecticut High School Outstanding Arts Award Banquet at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT. Emily Renski was recognized for her excellence in music and Elizabeth Bauman for her excellence in visual art. Both girls were accompanied by their parents and the teachers who nominated them, Thomas Green and Kathleen Flanagan. Emily and Elizabeth joined students from 148 Connecticut schools for a dinner and awards ceremony.

Literary Arts Night

March 28, 2014

Horizons yearbook and *Inner Visions* literary arts magazine sponsored Ledyard High School's first annual Literary Arts Night in the library media center on March 28. Readers shared poems, essays, and short stories to an appreciative audience of nearly seventy guests.

LHS Poet Laureate Melissa Billing hosted the event organized by advisers Mr. William Friskey and Ms. Barbara Park. Ben McCoy-Redd provided piano music, and the audience enjoyed a slide show of drawings, paintings, and photos from the *Inner Visions* website. Readers included Melissa Billing, Haley Hinton, Alec Chattin, Hannah Van Dusen, Ally Antcliff, Amy Knight, Jack Desormier, Alex Tierney, Nikki McComiskey, Quinn Duwelius, Ally Antcliff, Mr. Friskey, and Ms. Park.

Melissa Billing,
LHS Poet Laureate

Ben McCoy-Redd,
pianist

