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✿ STAFF HOURS: Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. ✿

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“How to Survive a Pandemic” Webinar

The Nutrition Facts website (nutritionfacts.org) is offering a free webinar on May 27, “How to Survive a Pandemic.” The website is the brainchild of physician Michael Gregor. Normally, he posts bite-size videos explaining the scientific research around popular health topics. This upcoming webinar is a sequel to a previously aired COVID-19 webinar. The first webinar will be released as a series of smaller videos on the Nutrition Facts website.

Here is a description of topics covered in the first webinar: how we can best keep ourselves and our families safe from the coronavirus; tips for optimal respiratory and hand hygiene; surface disinfection; proper mask usage; how to make a DIY sanitizer solution; sheltering-in-place; and what to do if you come down with the disease.

Storyline Online

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation’s Daytime Emmy®-nominated and award-winning children’s literacy website, [Storyline Online](http://StorylineOnline.com)®, streams videos featuring celebrated actors reading children’s books alongside creatively produced illustrations. Readers include Oprah Winfrey, Chris Pine, Kristen Bell, Rita Moreno, Viola Davis, Jaime Camil, Kevin Costner, Lily Tomlin, Sarah Silverman, Betty White, Wanda Sykes, and dozens more. Storyline Online receives over 100 million views annually from children all over the world.

Reading aloud to children has been shown to improve reading, writing and communication skills, logical thinking and concentration, and general academic aptitude, as well as inspire a lifelong love of reading. Teachers use Storyline Online in their classrooms, and doctors and nurses play Storyline Online in children’s hospitals.

Storyline Online is available 24 hours a day for children, parents, caregivers and educators worldwide. Each book includes supplemental curriculum developed by a credentialed elementary educator, aiming to strengthen comprehension and verbal and written skills for English-language learners. Storyline Online is a program of the SAG-AFTRA Foundation. The Foundation is a nonprofit organization that relies entirely on gifts, grants and donations to fund Storyline Online and produce all of its videos.

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The Connecticut State Library eBook Platform

New content has been added from Baker & Taylor, DPLA Exchange, and [RBDigital](#). A total of 1,608 new items have been added since Phase I of the roll out. Selections have focused on award-winning children’s and teen titles, backlist bestsellers including many mystery titles, maker/DIY titles, professional development, Connecticut authors, titles about Connecticut and much more. You can find a sampling of new titles on the [libguide](#).

TWO ZOOM Opportunities

Bentley Memorial Library

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Storytime

Thursday, May 14

11:00 – Noon

Storytime for children

Book Discussion

Thursday, May 21

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

“The Siege,” by Helen Dunmore

This is book three of our Russian historical fiction series led by

John Valerie of Portland, CT

Join the ZOOM events! Email the library at bentley@biblio.org to register. Once you register you will receive an emailed invitation to join the ZOOM program with a link, password, ID and phone number.