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**ENCOUNTERS**  
Scrapbook



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**EERIE**  
**ENCOUNTERS**  
Summer at the LIBRARY  
for Adults Ages 18+

This summer, WPL invites adults to embark on **Eerie Encounters**, a series of challenges designed to enliven the mind and feed the soul! Use this **Summer Scrapbook** to keep track of your progress one task at a time.

There are five series of challenges: Events, Photos, Sustainability, Reading, and Enrichment. Each series includes a number of challenges worth ten points each. Every time you earn ten points, you will get a ticket into our summer prize drawing. Every time you earn 50 points, you will receive one of our limited-edition Eerie Encounters bookmarks and postcards.

Complete as many challenges as you want. You can earn a possible total of 250 points. The four lucky winners of the summer prize drawing will each receive a \$50 gift card to the Wallingford business of their choice!



# Summer Encounters

## **PARANORMAL TALES** with Joe Franke of the Warren Legacy Foundation

Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> | 6:30-8pm | Community Room

Registration required

Joe Franke, a paranormal researcher & Wallingford resident, is an esteemed figure in the paranormal community, with over 38 years of experience in researching and investigating the unknown. He embarked on his journey in 1986 as an apprentice to the renowned psychic researchers Ed and Lorraine Warren. Since then, he has helped numerous families face their fears and overcome their paranormal afflictions. Through this presentation, Joe will share real-life cases of hauntings, poltergeist activity, and demonic infestations, both past and present, and educate the audience about the serious dangers associated with the paranormal realm.



## **CONNECTICUT'S HEADLESS HORSEMAN:** **The True Story of Sleepy Hollow**

Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> | 7-8pm | Community Room | Registration required

Did you know that Connecticut has its own 'Headless Horseman' legend—a tale that pre-dates "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" by 40 years? Emeritus Professor of English Kara LaBella will discuss Washington Irving's famous work in relation to our own Farmington Valley story, revealing the similarities and differences between the two. She will explain how she researched the Canton legend to find the real people and places involved in a murder mystery, dating back to the Revolutionary War era. Did our state's little-known tale actually influence one of the most beloved American ghost stories of all time? Come and decide for yourself!

## **A BRIEF HISTORY OF UFOS**

Tuesday, Aug 6<sup>th</sup> | 7-8pm | Community Room | Registration required

Have you ever gazed up at the stars and wondered if we are really alone here in the universe? Sean & Carrie McCabe, hosts of the "Ain't it Scary? with Sean & Carrie" podcast, will present a short history of UFOs from early historical sightings to big events and conspiracy theories like Roswell and Area 51 to phenomena spotted right in our own New England backyards. Feel free to bring your curiosity, questions, and an open mind!

## **THE HISTORY OF GRAVE ROBBING**

Tuesday, Aug 13<sup>th</sup> | 7-8pm | Community Room | Registration required

Join us for a unique program brought to us by the B.C. Bailey Funeral Home! This presentation delves into the intriguing history and underlying motivations behind the practice of grave robbing. Exploring the origins of grave robbery and its evolution over time, we will examine the various factors that drive individuals to plunder burial sites. From the pursuit of wealth and scientific exploration to macabre curiosities, this presentation sheds light on the complex reasons behind this controversial activity. We will unravel the captivating narrative of grave robbing, offering insights into its historical significance and the lasting impact it has had on society.



# Events

The first series of challenges is our four adult Eerie Encounters events: "Paranormal Tales" on July 9th, "Connecticut's Headless Horseman" on July 16th, "A Brief History of UFOs" on August 6th, and "The History of Grave Robbing" on August 13th. Bring your scrapbook with you to each event you attend to receive a sticker in one of the boxes below (10 points each):



History of  
UFOs

CT's Headless  
Horseman

Paranormal  
Tales



Grave Robbing



# Sustainability

The following challenges are meant to promote eco-friendly summer fun! You can grow a plant from our Seed Library, donate non-perishable food from your pantry to our Master's Manna collection, ride your bike to the library instead of driving (we encourage you to use our Collaboratory's bike pump while you're here!), and/or donate gently used books & media to our Bookseller downstairs. Just write down the date and what you did to complete each challenge in the corresponding box below (10 points each):

**Grow a Plant**

**Donate Food**

**Ride Your Bike**

**Donate Books**





# Reading

Challenge yourself to read more this summer! You will receive 10 points for each book you finish. The books can be of any genre and any format. You can count up to nine books over the course of the summer – just write the titles in the boxes below (10 points each):

Book 1

Book 2

Book 3

Book 4

Book 5

Book 6

Book 7

Book 8

Book 9



# Enrichment

These challenges encourage you to broaden your horizons by using the services available to you with your WPL library card! You can

visit a local museum with one of our museum passes, complete a game or puzzle from our Library of Things, practice a foreign language on Transparent Language Online, or make a craft using one of our Creativebug video tutorials. Write down the title of the activity and the date you completed each challenge in one of the boxes below (10 points each):



# Photos

The photos challenge is a test of imagination! You can take a photo of yourself as a cryptid, your pet or child as a cryptid, a cryptid you found at the library, and/or a cryptid you saw in the wild (be as creative as you want). Any species of cryptid is acceptable! Print out a photo of each challenge as proof and paste them on the following pages (10 points each):













