Online Services Offers a Variety of Opportunities for Learning/Researching and Just Plain Enjoying

Cora J. Belden Library cardholders have access to dozens of online resources which are available 24/7 via our website. And of course, they are all free. In most cases, you just have to enter your library card number to gain access. If you can’t visit the library as often as you would like, take advantage of specialized online resources via your computer, tablet or smartphone. Don’t have access to the internet at home? Feel free to use one of our dozen or so public access computers to access library related online resources. You are also welcome to test drive an ereader or a tablet to see if you would like to have one of your own. The library has several devices available for check out. There is currently a waiting list on some of the devices but we hope to be adding to our electronic collection soon to reduce the waiting time.

Here is an overview of some of our electronic offerings. Check out our website for fuller descriptions as well as for links to access the resources.

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OverDrive – provides our library patrons with downloadable audiobooks, e-books and videos, which will work on a wide variety of electronic devices. There are never any late charges as items are automatically returned. If an item is checked out, holds can be placed and the patron will get an email when the item is available for download.

iCONN – “Connecticut’s ReSearch Engine” - the State of Connecticut provides an incredible selection of online databases for local library patron use via www.iconn.org  iCONN searches only reliable and reputable sources and, because these databases are available only through subscription, most will not appear in the results of a standard web search. iConn provides full text access to thousands of magazines, journals and newspapers. Archives of the Hartford Courant are available for the years 1764-1922 as well as 1992 and onwards. Specialized databases within iConn include HeritageQuest, Health and Wellness Resource Center and Business Insights.

Ancestry - One of our newest offerings is Ancestry. A public library version of the popular Ancestry.com contains more than 4,000 databases, which include census data, passenger lists, and birth, marriage and death records. Search by name, by where a person lived or browse by region or states. Just a note, Ancestry is the one database that is only accessible via the library computers. Remote access is not available.

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Boy Scout and Rocky Hill resident Ryan Yazdzik was looking for a project that would give something back to the community as part of his journey to become an Eagle Scout. He chose the library and took on the challenge of enhancing the Library’s Teen Zone space. After analyzing the space needs, he came up with a design and then solicited monetary and material donations to offset the cost. He recruited his fellow troop members (and also his family) to help volunteer with the set up and the moving of the shelving and library materials. Ryan is off to college now but will be stopping by to check up on his work. We invite you to stop by and check it out! Many thanks to the following businesses for their support and donations: Target (Newington), Home Depot (Newington) and Wal-Mart (Rocky Hill). Additional appreciation goes out to Frank Shank (Scout Master of Troop #244, Boy Scout Officials and Members of Boy Scout Troop #244 and the Yazdzik Family.

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and Legal, Parenting and Family, Pet and Animal Care…plus 100s more. These self-paced, non-credit personal and professional development classes are led by real instructors who will give you continuous feedback on your progress.

Rocket Languages: offers guided online instruction complete with audio. You can learn Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, and Spanish. You can even study American Sign Language! Each language learning program includes: downloadable or streaming usage (your choice), over 62 hours of interactive instruction, 17 grammar and culture lessons (learn not only how to speak but local etiquette), over 340 grammar exercises, self-testing, over 17 interactive audio tracks, AND 1,200 words in the software-based word building MegaWords game.

Legal Forms: provides a convenient means for understanding common legal procedures through access to “attorney forms”. The resource data base includes a Legal Terms Dictionary - a comprehensive source for legal terms and legal definitions.

Testing & Education Reference Center - is your first stop if you are preparing for the SATs, GREs or many other educational or occupational tests. The database contains over 300 practice tests and courses, dozens of ebooks containing valuable study material and practice tests, information on over 4,000 accredited schools, scholarship search featuring $8 billion in available scholarships, resume builder with over 1,000 brainstorming phrases to get you started and career modules covering subjects from career change to salary negotiations.

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- Office Essentials
- FreedomFlix
- TrueFlix
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**Friends of the Library**

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**Nov. 3 and 4**

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- 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Open to All!

**Sunday:** Noon to 4 p.m. — $5 a bag

Volunteers needed. Please call Ann Dobmeier at (860) 721-7658.

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