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Darien Library will celebrate its 129th anniversary on Wednesday, May 24, with 1894 Day, a fun and festive annual day of giving.

From midnight to 11:59 p.m., the Library aims to raise \$129,000 in honor of 129 years of service to the community.

— *an announcement from Darien Library*

Festivities will take place in the Library courtyard throughout the day, including crafts for children, balloon art from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., face painting from 3 to 5 p.m., and an ice cream truck from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. There will also be special giveaways at suggested contribution levels, including exclusive Darien Library car magnets, tote bags, and Turkish towels.

All funds raised on 1894 Day are dedicated directly to Library resources. Darien Library is a true public-private partnership between the Town of Darien, which pays for salaries and operating expenses related to the building, and the Friends of the Library, whose generosity funds all of the books, audiobooks, e-Books, computers, technology, research databases, and the Library's impressive range of cultural and entertainment programs.

The Library is asking the entire community for their support on May 24. Donors may give in person in the Library courtyard or online at any time on May 24 at [darienlibrary.org/donate](https://darienlibrary.org/donate). For more information, please contact the Library's Administrative Office at 203-669-5220.

**About Darien Library**

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Darien Library is a fourteen-time Library Journal Star Library. It is among the busiest in the state with over 1,300 people visiting on an average day and has the highest per capita circulation of items in Connecticut.

The Library collection includes 125,000 books and 300 newspaper and magazine subscriptions.

In addition, the Library presents over 1,500 public events annually, hosting a lineup of bestselling authors, technology classes, early literacy programs, and workshops for small business owners and entrepreneurs.