



## Career Series 2018

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# Jobs: Back to Work

## January - June 2018

**(R)** Indicates advance registration is required. Doors open 30 minutes early for informal networking. All events take place at the Main Library. We thank the professionals who give generously of their time and expertise to make this series possible.

### One-on-One Career Counseling (R)

The Main Library hosts 20-minute, one-on-one career counseling sessions with a career coach. Bring your resume and your questions. Same-day sign up is available at the Information Desk or call 203-256-3160. First come, first served; space is limited.

**Every Thursday, 10:45 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**First Monday, 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM**  
**(January 8, February 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, and August 6)**

### Study Room D, Main Library

**Counselor:** *Ann Wright has corporate HR experience with an extensive range of industries and has served as Assistant Director of Career Development at Yale School of Management MBA program. She has provided one-on-one counseling for hundreds of clients at Fairfield Public Library and in her private practice.*

**Check in at the Information Desk.**

### Job Search Boot Camp

This tactical program targets a different set of job search skills and strategies each week. Pick up tips on interviewing, networking, and resumes; something new each week.

**Thursdays, 9:15 - 10:30 AM**

**Memorial Room, Main Library**

**Facilitator:** *Ann Wright*

### Join our Group on LinkedIn

The Library sponsors an online group on LinkedIn.com where we post updates on Library events for job seekers, job search tips, and information from area companies looking to fill positions. Join LinkedIn and search "Groups" for the "Fairfield Public Library Networking Group and Job Search Boot Camp."

**Programs continue on back >>>**

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## The Power of Vision: 3 Keys To Mastering Your Results (R)

For as long as we draw breath on this earth, we have dreams. During this dynamic, inspiring and fun-filled talk, you will be invited to define and experience your personal vision for this stage of your life – and be introduced to a proven, reliable system to turn your imagined possibility into your new reality.

You will learn: essential keys for tuning into your highest vision and ways to test whether it's right for you, simple thinking-strategies that will guard you from fear, doubt and worry, the number one factor that causes people to lose steam when going after a dream – and how to stay motivated and override it, the ONE critical thing you must give up in order to reach your dream, and much more.

**Tuesday, January 23, 7:00 PM**  
**Rotary Room, Main Library**

**Presenter:** Deirdre Taylor is a professional speaker, mentor and certified Life Mastery Consultant and DreamBuilder Coach, who works with individuals and organizations to help them clarify their vision, accelerate their results, and create lives in harmony with their purpose. Her coaching experience includes a decade as a senior career consultant working with thousands of clients at all organizational levels and across industries. As a business executive, she has held senior roles in both corporate and non-profit settings.

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## ReferenceUSA - Career Search Strategies: Uncovering the Hidden Job Market (R)

This program will assist job seekers in identifying a wealth of information that will help them expand their opportunities in the job market. Using the free service offered through the library, ReferenceUSA allows users to research area businesses and apply to available job openings, create marketing plans, & provide helpful tips on how to strengthen your resume. Use ReferenceUSA to acquire career insight and find gainful employment!

**Wednesday, February 7, 10:00 AM**  
**Rotary Room, Main Library**

**Presenter:** TJ Pridell, Executive Sales Consultant, ReferenceUSA.

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## Ann Wright Program Event (R)

Strategies for Successful Interviews - Whether it's a phone screen, Skype conversation or an in-person interview strategic preparation is necessary. The workshop will focus on turning fear into confidence and will allow participants to address real--and perceived--roadblocks to achieving interview success.

**Monday, March 12, 10:00 AM**  
**Rotary Room, Main Library**

**Presenter:** Ann Wright has corporate HR experience with an extensive range of industries and has served as Assistant Director of Career Development at Yale School of Management MBA program. She has provided one-on-one counseling for hundreds of clients at Fairfield Public Library and in her private practice.

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## LinkedIn and Your Career (R)

Are you effectively using the number one professional platform to advance your career? LinkedIn is the best place to be found or verified online. It's also the place to find recruiters, hiring managers, and other business professionals you may want to work with. You will learn how to be found online, how to build a personal brand and network on LinkedIn, how to find companies with relevant openings and people you know who work there already, and how to be a referred candidate vs. applying online. Join us to learn ways to use LinkedIn which will be immediately actionable for your job search.

**Thursday, April 19, 7:00 PM**  
**Rotary Room, Main Library**

**Presenter:** Sandra Long is the author of LinkedIn for Personal Branding: The Ultimate Guide. Sandra is the owner of Post Road Consulting LLC in Westport and Stamford. PRC provides independent LinkedIn training, coaching, and consulting for companies, organizations, universities,

and individuals with key focus on sales, recruiting, and career advancement.

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## Preparing for Job Interviews (R)

Many times candidates feel like they don't have anything to say in a job interview, or are overwhelmed by looking at a shopping list of questions they might be asked. It can be difficult to understand how experiences that seem insignificant to them can be crucial to an employer's hiring decision, and then how to concisely structure answers to those questions.

Melanie Szlucha developed the TODAY acronym to help candidates focus their preparation on specific examples from their career and volunteer work, which align with the needs of the employer. This course also covers the finer points of an interview such as establishing rapport, avoiding the Walk of Silence from the receptionist desk to the interview, negotiating the offer, and preparing for the 5 questions they will ALWAYS be asked.

**Thursday, May 10, 7:00 PM**  
**Rotary Room, Main Library**

**Presenter:** Melanie Szlucha as a hiring manager was always wondering if she was really hiring the best person for the job by selecting the candidate with the best resume and job interview skills. Her goal in starting her business was to transform resumes and teach better job interview preparation so that companies are able to quickly understand a candidate's value, and to help great candidates get the jobs they deserve. She started her business part-time in 2005, and decided to leave the job in 2008 to pursue it full-time.

