Ina Garten

Tue. April 12 @ 11:00, RSVP by Thur. 4/7.

Former owner of the Barefoot Contessa store in East Hampton, she has 9 books to her name and runs columns and features in several magazines.



Barefoot Contessa has been a mainstay of the Food Network TV since 2002.

Her recipes are geared toward entertaining, with a focus on the un-fussy. Garten's latest book is *Make it Ahead*, however her first book, *The Barefoot Contessa Cookbook* (featuring the recipes that made the store famous) and *Barefoot Contessa Foolproof* seem to be her most popular titles.



Picnic Basket Bliss

Tue. May 10 @ 11:00, RSVP by Thur. 5/5.

Call it a hamper, basket or lunchbox, let's try some new ideas for packing the perfect summer picnic. We'll have a variety of books on display, or

you can go rogue, or dare to use grandmother's best tried-and-true recipe. It's up to you!

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As a group we'll explore a theme, an idea, or a particular chef's work. Everyone brings a dish to share. RSVP required.

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So how does it work?

Each month there will be a feature theme, idea, or chef to focus on. Participants will prepare an appetizer, main course or dessert; enough to serve 4-8. This is a tasting

(we're not eating a full portion), so doubling your recipe shouldn't be necessary. **RSVP** with your chosen dish by the Thursday prior to Nancy: nday@mvlc.org, 978-468-5577. The Library provides coffee, tea & water; utensils & plates/bowls. Copies of the recipes will be provided. Now, tell us about your dish!



Rachael Ray

Tue. Jan. 12 @ 11:00, RSVP by Thur. 1/7.

Author of 25+ books, 3X Emmy-winning TV star (8 nominations), magazine editor, product

line endorser and created a dog food, too.

Her focus is primarily on fast results, with many books featuring 30 minute recipes, and even 15 minute ones. Ray's latest book is *Everyone is Italian on Sunday*, but a dish from any of her books, magazine or website will be great to share.

Bobby Flay

Tue. Feb. 9 @ 11:00, RSVP by Thur. 2/4.

Executive chef/owner of 5 restaurants, Iron Chef, author of 12+ books, 3X Emmy-winning & nominated TV star,

product line endorser, he also has a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame.

His flavors are primarily southwestern and Mexican, with a focus on meats and grilling. Flay's latest book is *Brunch at Bobby's*, but a dish from any source of his will be welcome.

America's Test Kitchen

Tue. March 8 @ 11:00, RSVP by Thur. 3/3.

Christopher Kimball is the founder of Cook's Illustrated and Cook's Country magazines, which spawned a TV and radio show. The ATK chefs make variations of the same dish to arrive at the <u>best</u> version for

both taste and effort required. In the catalog, search by 'Author' for best results (90), limit to 'Books' (59) if you aren't interested in the DVDs.