

What's New at the Library? • General Information • Check It Out!

Troy Public Library

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HOURS: Monday through Thursday 10-9 • Friday & Saturday 10-6 • Sunday 1-6

Where the Focus is on You!

Spring 2010

ARTISTS & EXHIBITS



MARCH

Joan Cox Braunstein-Art Class
Lorraine U'Rain-Jewelry
Purchasing Month Display
St. Stephen Co-op
Preschool-Student Art
How Chicks Hatch



APRIL

David Dinsdale - *Nature Photos*
City of Troy Staff Artwork
Shirley Darge - *Depression Glass*
Pam Brady - *Earth Day*
Troy Co-op Preschool-Student Art

MAY

HCAEC Art School
Student Art
Jim Brown-Paintings
Oakland County Mental Health
Cinco de Mayo Display
Saint Augustine Lutheran-Student Art

INFORMATION LITERACY AND COMPUTER SKILLS FOR THE JOB SEEKER

Are you looking for work? Do you need basic computer skills to help you apply for jobs? If so, the Troy Public Library has a new, free, two-week program just for you: Information Literacy and Computer Skills for the Job Seeker. This program will help you bring your computer skills up-to-date and improve your job search.

Information Literacy includes 30 hours of hands-on computer training. You will learn how to:

- use a mouse and keyboard;
- organize your computer files;
- create an electronic resume in Word;
- communicate with employers via email;
- apply for jobs online; and
- stay in contact using social network websites.

There will also be plenty of time for individualized one-on-one assistance, and a comprehensive workbook. The training will be held in the Library Training Room, and will be limited to 16 students per session. All classes will be taught by the Library's Technology Department staff.

Information Literacy will be offered March 1-12, and April 19-30. For more information and an application, go to troylibrary.info/jobseekers, or contact the Technology Desk at techroom@troymi.gov or 248.524.3542.

This program is funded, in part, by the 2009 World Book/American Library Association Information Literacy Goal Award, designed to support innovative and effective information literacy programs. In 2009, the Troy Library was the only public library in the country to receive this award.

Special Needs Collection Continues to Grow:

The Special Needs Collection, which includes toys and educational materials addressing four disability areas: cognitive, communicative, physical, and sensory, continues to expand with new offerings. You can find the collection in the Library's Children's Section.

This collection provides an opportunity for children with disabilities to benefit from the important skills that are acquired through play. Many of the items also have beneficial applications for adults – specifically, for individuals recovering from strokes. This collection is unique – the only one of its kind in all of Michigan and one of a handful in the entire nation.

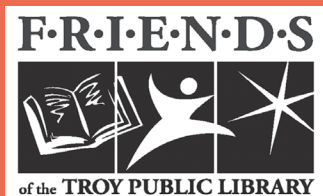
Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board is appointed by the City Council to make recommendations regarding library policies, programs and collections. The Board meets on the second Thursday (except July and August) at 7 pm at the Troy Public Library. Meetings are open to the public. The Library Advisory Board Chairman is Lynne Gregory, 248.689.2623.

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Library Closings Information
Complete Library Events

Our programs are free
to all, thanks to the:



Cultural Arts Events @ TPL

Cultural Arts Services • 248.524.3568 [concerts] or 248.524.3543 [fine arts]

• Spring 2010

Afternoons with the Fine Arts at the Library

Mark your calendar to attend our exciting programs showcasing the Fine Arts. Register for these lectures at 248.524.3542, online at www.troylibrary.info, or in person at the Library Technology Desk. Registration is limited to 120 per event. For additional information, contact Dr. Maria Hunciag at 248.524.3543 or by e-mail at hunciagme@troymi.gov. View the Cultural Arts page at www.troylibrary.info.

Sunday Afternoons at the Library with Michael Farrell Art & Architecture of the Middle Ages and Renaissance

FRANCO- FLEMISH PAINTING Sunday, March 7 @ 3:30 pm

When the capital of Christendom was relocated in the South of France at Avignon, artists gathered from all over Europe to work for the Pope and exchange ideas. This lecture will examine painting in Italy, France and Flanders during this period.

FLEMISH RENAISSANCE Sunday, April 18 @ 3:30 pm

Bruges becomes the most important trading city of Flanders during the fifteenth century and produces masters such as Campin, Van Eyck, Van der Weyden and Van der Goes. We will discuss the "Fathers" of the Flemish Renaissance.

ELIZABETH THE GREAT OF ENGLAND WITH MAUREEN ESTHER

Sunday, March 14 @ 3:30 pm

Elizabeth was Henry VIII's daughter; England's Gloriana, and the first monarch to have an era named after her. Visit Elizabethan England with a jewel-studded discussion of the life and times of the legendary Elizabeth I. Her steady course for England would set the foundation for the colonization of America. This program is dedicated to Women's History Month.

Sunday Afternoons with the Arts at the Library CONCERTS

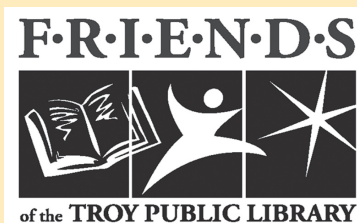
All Library concerts are free of charge and open seating to the room's capacity. Please register in advance online (www.troylibrary.info and click on Programs Calendar) or by telephone at 248.524.3542.

Come early for a good seat!
Call Barbara Schaich at 248.524.3568 for additional information.

CELLO QUARTET March 21 @ 3 pm

Welcome spring with the chamber music repertoire and warmly blended sound of the Adventure Club Cello Quartet. This ensemble is comprised of area cellists Naomi Levine, David Levine, Irina Tikhonova and Debra Shuster. While several of the quartet members have delighted audiences over the years at previous Sunday Afternoons with the Arts Concerts, this performance marks their first visit to the Library as a grouping of four cellists.

Our programs are free to all,
thanks to the:



TECHNIQUES TO IMPROVE YOUR JOB SEARCH

Thursdays, March 25, April 1,
April 8, 6:30-8:30

This three-session series will cover facets of the job search to improve your skills in finding new or better employment. The following topics will be discussed: Career Objectives--review your experience and options; Resume Evaluation--how to facilitate interviews; Designing a Marketing Plan to Target Companies; Interviewing--making a professional presentation; Mock Interviews--improve your ability to sell yourself; Networking--using contacts and acquaintances; How to Keep the Process On Track from Beginning to a Successful Job Offer; Negotiating a Job Offer.

Dan Mistura, CPC, President of Personnel Consulting Group will conduct three workshops to move you towards employment excellence. Dan is the retired owner and operator of successful personnel placement firms in Detroit and other major cities in the U.S. He was President of the Michigan Association of Personnel Consultants and past Director of the National Association of Personnel Consultants. Dan's philosophy is to aid people in making their job search a positive process and ease the tension of job hunting by providing information and training.

Registration required at 248.524.3542 or www.troylibrary.info.

For information call
Kay McFarland
at 248.680.7290.

9th ANNUAL SHARED INHERITANCES

These events honor our community's broad multicultural traditions and will take place at the Troy Public Library Meeting Room. Please register for these free events at 248.524.3542, or online at www.troylibrary.info. These programs are generously sponsored by the Friends of the Troy Public Library.

Asian Indians in Troy - Part 1 Sunday, May 16 @ 3 pm

This program features some of Troy's own talent. Manisha Dongre's Taal Academy of Dance will perform traditional and Kathak Indian dances.

Asian Indians in Troy - Part 2 Sunday, May 23 @ 3 pm

Indian classical and folk dances will be performed by children ages 5-17, from Troy's Nupur Academy of Dance, under the direction of Radhika Acharya. Radhika was trained in Bharatanatyam style of dance by the guru M. N. Suvarna of Arunodya Kala Niketan

FAR AWAY PLACES

Listen to fascinating travel accounts! See slide presentations by seasoned travelers @ 7 pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of most months, September-April.

UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

March 2

Margaret Kaminski
Women of Ancient Egypt

March 16

Kathy Thornton
Inside Viet Nam

April 6

Michael Wells
Observance of Semana Santa & Lent in Antigua

April 20

Maria Hunciag
The Garden of Versailles Palace-France

Please call Kay McFarland for more information at 248.680.7290.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Register online: www.troylibrary.info, by calling 248.524.3542 or in person at the Technology Desk. For more information, please contact Barbara Rutkowski at 248.619.7599 or rutkowbj@troy.mi.gov.

AS A MATTER OF FACT... NON-FICTION READERS

Third Wednesdays – every other month 7-8:30 pm

March 17

Acts of Faith by Eboo Patel
Led by Troy Interfaith Group

May 19

The Ascent of Money by Niall Ferguson; Led by Ted Craig

BOOKED for LUNCH

First Wednesdays, 12:15-1:15 pm

Bring your beverage, lunch, and thoughts to share. No registration required.

March 3

Playing for Pizza by John Grisham
Led by Barbara Williams

April 7

The Middle Place by Kelly Corrigan
Led by Julie McGee

May 5

Skeletons at the Feast by Chris Bohjalian; Led by Barbara Miller

DAN EWALD GROUP

Second Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm

March 9

Stranger in a Strange Land
by Robert A. Heinlein

April 13

City of Thieves
by David Benioff

May 11

Somebody's Darling
by Larry McMurtry

LIFE READERS

First Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm

March 3

The Book Thief
by Markus Zasadak
Led by Lindsay Payne

April 7

Three
by Ted Dekker
Led by Rosemary Foley

May 5

Manhunt
by James L. Swanson
Led by Cathy Russ

MYSTERY GROUP

Second Tuesdays, 10:15-11:15 am

March 9

Her Royal Spyness
by Rhys Bowen
Led by Resi Cavellier

April 13

And Then There Were None
by Agatha Christie
Led by Lindsay Payne

May 11

Death Match
by Lincoln Child
Led by Barbara Schaich

TALK TIME FOR CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

SPRING 2010 DATES:

March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 8, 15, 22

Join us every Saturday from 10:15 am - 12 pm (except holiday weekends). Your language skills and vocabulary improve in this relaxed group atmosphere led by helpful facilitators from Oakland Literacy Council and Library Staff.

To register please call 248.524.3542 or online @ www.troylibrary.info.

Adult Enrichment Programs @ TPL

Register online: www.troylibrary.info or call 248.524.3542 during Library hours • Spring 2010

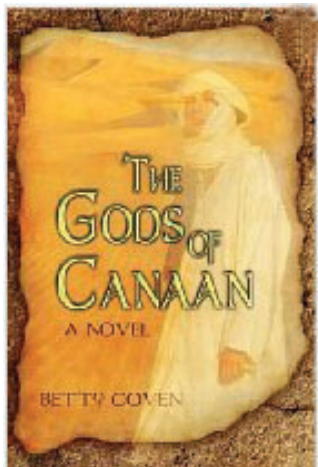
LOCAL AUTHOR BOOKSIGNINGS AND PRESENTATIONS

BETTY COVEN

The Gods of Canaan: A Novel

Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 7-8 pm

Hear local author Betty Coven discuss her first novel, *The Gods of Canaan*. Set in Canaan in 1031 B. C., a young nomad woman, Rebe'kah, recounts the treacherous journey from a simple nomadic life to one of storyteller in the court of King David where she narrates the tales that are to become the Bible. Dr. Coven is retired from private practice as a therapist for over 25 years. Merging her extensive knowledge of the human condition, Dr. Coven spent seven years researching and writing this work of biblical fiction. Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating and informative event.



JILL WILKINSON

Downsized: A Novel

Wednesday, April 28, 2010, 7-8 pm



Join local author Jill Wilkinson at the Troy Public Library for her presentation on creative writing and hear about her first novel, *Downsized*. The novel addresses the impact of job loss inspired by an article from a Detroit newspaper. The book is a great read for those interested in how lay-offs affect people and how they manage to put themselves back together. It is

a story of hope and encouragement for anyone, particularly for those who find themselves struggling through our volatile economy. Wilkinson resides in Birmingham, Michigan with her husband and has lived in the Detroit area her entire life.

To Register – www.troylibrary.info or
contact: Donna Garbarino 248.526.5121

Relaxation Techniques

YOUR CHAKRAS: THE WHEELS OF LIFE

Mondays, March 1 & 8, Noon-2pm

A far more in-depth look at the chakra system than any other class out there! Practical understanding is obtained through the recognition of where, why and how the energy system of the body works with the physical form.

Along with the basics, you'll learn simple practices to balance and rejuvenate, and techniques to cleanse and enhance each area of your life. Learn to create harmony, grace, and balance within. For thousands of years, people of the east have studied and used the Chakra System of the energy body to balance their health, emotions, and overall well being. As a fundamental part of alternative health procedures, meditation, and enlightenment, the Chakra system has become an integral part of the learning process for those who seek a more healthful and fulfilling life.

RELAXATION & MEDITATION WORKSHOP

Fridays, April 16, 23, & 30, 11am-1pm

Meditation is a wonderful and scientifically proven tool for decreasing stress, but many people are unsure about how to incorporate a consistent practice in their lives. By using the portals of the senses, you will learn body and mind awareness, where disease is located in the body, and the tools to start transforming negatives to positives. This opens the door to creating the reality that you want. Learn how to relax and unwind tension in the physical body. Learn how to calm the emotions. Learn how to still the mind.

Cathleen Francois, President of Spiritual Endeavors of Michigan will lead these workshops. Francois is a philosopher, freelance writer, workshop facilitator and interfaith minister. A student of Meditation and Metaphysics for 34 years, she is skilled and trained in many stress reduction and self-awareness modalities including Pranayama Breathing, Meditation, Energy Balancing, and others. She operates Self-Awareness Corporation, intent on the advancement of all to their highest potential. Her philosophies are respectful of all religious beliefs and in alignment with today's scientific theories.

Please call 248.524.3542 or
register online @ www.troylibrary.info For
more information call Kay McFarland at
248.680.7290.

WRITING GRANT PROPOSALS FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Saturday, April 17, 10:15 am-1:15 pm

Even in times of economic turmoil, well-written grants yield billions of dollars annually from corporate giving programs and foundations. This session will explore how to locate and contact prospective foundation, corporate, and government funders, using online and print resources. We will also discuss the fundamentals of writing competitive proposals. Led by Phoebe Crandall, professional grant writer. Please call 248.524.3542 or register online at www.troylibrary.info.

WEDDING ESSENTIALS: PLANNING FOR YOUR BIG DAY

Thursday, April 29, 7-9 pm

Planning your wedding can be a stressful and overwhelming process. Spend time with Lindsey Nartker Designs (www.Indevents.com www.blog.Indevents.com) owner & creator who will discuss the steps to planning a successful event. Learn how to set your budget, create a planning time-line and search for local resources while having fun and incorporating personalized elements into each aspect of your celebration. Brides to be and moms will enjoy this workshop.

Genealogy at the Library GENEALOGY STUDY GROUP

Fourth Tuesdays through June, 6:30-8 pm

On the fourth Tuesday of every month, meet with others interested in genealogy to share tips and experiences encountered in researching family trees. We will discuss individual questions, experiences, interesting discoveries, new materials at the library, and online resources. All levels of genealogists welcome. Diana Franco will facilitate.

*Please call 248.524.3542 or register online @ www.libcoop.net/troy
For information call Kay McFarland 248.680.7290*

Microsoft Training -- See page 24 for more computer classes!

BEGINNING WORD 2007

Learn the basics of Word 2007: create documents, change the text font and color, format paragraphs, and work with tables and images. **Mouse and keyboard skills required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Mondays, March 1 and 8, 1 pm

Tuesdays, April 6 and 13, 6:30 pm

Tuesdays, May 4 and 11, 1 pm

INTERMEDIATE WORD 2007

Go beyond the basics in Intermediate Word 2007. Learn how to create mailings with Mail Merge and how to improve your documents with WordArt, SmartArt, Templates, and more. **Previous experience with Word required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Tuesdays, March 23 and 30, 6:30 pm

Tuesdays, April 20 and 27, 6:30 pm

Tuesdays, May 18 and 25, 6:30 pm

BEGINNING EXCEL 2007

Create a spreadsheet using Excel 2007. Learn how to enter data, create basic charts and graphs, use simple formulas, and more. **Mouse and keyboard skills required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Mondays, March 15 and 22, 6:30 pm

Wednesdays, April 7 and 14, 6:30 pm

Wednesdays, May 5 and 12, 1 pm

INTERMEDIATE EXCEL 2007

Go beyond the basics in Intermediate Excel 2007. Learn advanced formatting – like drop-down menus and linking cells – importing data and data validation, macros, pivot tables, and more. **Previous experience with Excel required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Wednesdays, March 24 and 31, 6:30 pm

Wednesdays, April 21 and 28, 6:30 pm

Wednesdays, May 19 and 26, 6:30 pm

BEGINNING POWERPOINT 2007

Create effective presentations using PowerPoint 2007. Learn how to format and edit slides, add animations, run a slideshow, and more. **Mouse and keyboard skills required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Wednesdays, March 3 and 10, 1 pm

Mondays, April 19 and 26, 6:30 pm

Mondays, May 3 and 10, 6:30 pm

INTERMEDIATE POWERPOINT 2007

Take your presentations to the next level with Intermediate PowerPoint 2007. Learn how to use slide masters, add sound and video, create self-running presentations, protect your presentations, and more. **Previous experience with PowerPoint required.**

Monday, May 24, 6:30 pm



NEED EXTRA COMPUTER HELP?

If so, contact the Library's Technology Department (248.524.3542 or email techroom@troymi.gov) and set up an appointment with a Technology staff member. We will be happy to help you.

LIBRARY COMPUTER CLASSES

Are you just starting to use a computer? Do you want to improve your Word, PowerPoint, or Excel skills? Curious about blogs, eBay, Twitter, Facebook – and about the Library’s new website, troylibrary.info? The Library has a computer class for you. **All classes are taught by Library staff, in the Library Training Room on the Lower Level.** Registration begins February 11, 10 am, for March classes; March 11, 10 am, for April; April 12, 10 am, for May classes (except for Selling on eBay Workshop; see below). Register online at www.troylibrary.info or call 248.524.3542.

COMPUTER BASICS 1 (HARDWARE & SOFTWARE)

Not comfortable with computers? This class is designed for you. You will learn what a computer is, how it works, and the differences between hardware and software. There will be time for hands-on exercises. **Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Tuesdays, March 2 and 9, 1 pm
Thursdays, April 1 and 8, 10 am
Mondays, May 3 and 10, 1 pm

COMPUTER BASICS 2 (CUSTOMIZING YOUR COMPUTER AND FILES)

New to computers? Know how to use a mouse, but not much else? In this class, you’ll learn to customize your computer’s desktop, use the Start button and Windows Explorer, manage your files, and more. **Mouse and keyboard skills required.**

Tuesday, March 23, 1 pm
Thursday, April 15, 10 am
Monday, May 24, 1 pm

NAVIGATING THE INTERNET

Each student will leave this class with a Yahoo!® email account and a better understanding of how email works. Topics include: creating your address, logging in to your account, composing messages, attaching files, using an address book, and avoiding spam. **Mouse, keyboard and Internet skills required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Thursdays, March 4 and 11, 10 am
Mondays, April 5 and 12, 1 pm
Tuesdays, May 4 and 11, 6:30 pm

E-MAIL FOR BEGINNERS

Welcome to the wonderful world of e-mail. Each student will leave this class with a Yahoo!® e-mail account and a better understanding of how e-mail works. Topics include: creating your unique address, logging in to your account, composing and organizing messages, attaching files, using an address book, and avoiding spam. **Mouse, keyboard skills required. Two-part class. Please plan to attend both sessions.**

Mondays, March 22 and 29, 1 pm
Fridays, April 9 and 16, 1 pm
Wednesdays, May 5 and 12, 6:30 pm

TROY LIBRARY.INFO –

A WORLD OF RESOURCES ON THE WEB

Learn how to access all the Library’s resources, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, from the Library’s new website – troylibrary.info. Read book reviews, check your account, reserve items, download audiobooks and movies to your portable device, and search magazines on any topic under the sun. **Mouse, keyboard and Internet skills required.**

Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 pm
Tuesday, April 6, 10 am
Friday, May 14, 1 pm

WEB 2.0 – EVERYTHING NEW ON THE INTERNET

Whether you want to learn about the latest Internet tools, share your thoughts on Twitter, read news as it happens with Google Reader, or join the Facebook craze, this class is for you. You will be introduced to all the latest Web 2.0 technologies, and personalize the Internet to make it more usable for you! **Mouse, keyboard and Internet skills required.**

What’s Twitter All About?: Thursday, March 25, 10 am
Finding Friends on Facebook: Wednesday, April 7, 1 pm
Everything New on the Internet: Wednesday, May 26, 1 pm

DIGITAL IMAGES: FROM CAMERA TO CLOUDS

Learn to take the pictures from your digital camera and organize them on your computer. We’ll also create a Flickr photo-sharing account so you can upload, edit and store your pictures online. For a hands-on experience, bring your digital camera and cables or card reader to class and practice with your own photos. **Mouse, keyboard, and Internet skills required.**

Monday, May 17, 6:30 pm



See page 23 for Microsoft Training
Word ... PowerPoint ... Excel

NEED EXTRA COMPUTER HELP?

Call the Tech Room at 248.524.3542 or
email techroom@troymi.gov.

Teen Programs @ TPL

ALL PROGRAMS FOR AGES 13 - 18

Teen Services: 248.619.7581

Spring 2010

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB) MEETINGS: VOLUNTEER!

Thursdays @ 7 pm on March 4 • April 1 • May 6

TAB meets once a month to help plan Teen programs and purchase items for the Teen Resource Center. While serving, earn volunteer credits and qualify for recommendation letters for college and scholarships.

ANIME CLUB

Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 pm on
March 18 • April 15 • May 20

Students who enjoy Anime and Manga are invited to join the Anime Club to meet others with similar interests. Activities include watching Anime, discussing manga, games and snacks.

TEEN VIDEO GAME DAYS

Saturdays, 3-5 pm on
March 6 • May 1

Come have an excellent time playing Rock Band, Guitar Hero, DDR and Wii games. Test your skills in a Super Smash Bros. Brawl tournament too. Snacks provided and no registration required. Ages 13 to 18 welcome.

SPRING BREAK SUPER SMASH BROS. BRAWL TOURNAMENTS

Monday, April 5, 10-12 am,
12:30-2:30 pm & 3-5 pm

Are you ready to Brawl? Compete in the Troy Public Library's Super Smash Bros. Brawl Spring Break Tournament for prizes. You must be in grades 6 to 12 in order to participate. Snacks provided. Registration is required. Please sign up for one session only.

ECO-JEWELRY

Saturday, March 13, 1-3 pm

Create unique jewelry, using recycled materials (like can pull-tabs, bottle caps, small bottle lids and pieces from broken jewelry). All materials and tools provided. Feel free to bring your own "eco-bits" to work with or contribute. GUYS WELCOME!

STAY SAFE WITH PERSONAL SAFETY SKILLS

Thursday, May 13, 6:30-7:30 pm

The month of May is "Teen Self-Esteem Month" and dedicated to helping teens understand that their power and sense of self comes from within. Reduce chances of being a crime victim by learning basic personal safety tips and drug awareness from Troy's own Officer Kaptur.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Online at
www.troylibrary.info
or call 248.524.3542
during regular hours.

DEVELOPING STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE INTERVIEW SKILLS

Friday, February 19, 2-4 pm

This workshop by Preston Banks will cover: How to Prepare for an Interview; When Does Your Interview Begin; Dress for Success; Interview Don'ts; How to Close an Interview; Types of Interviews; How to Handle an Interview that is Conducted with a Meal.

Banks is the son of a factory worker and a teacher, and a graduate of Mumford High School. Banks earned a Bachelors of Business Administration degree from Marygrove College. In 2007 he saw a need to support job seekers in the Detroit area. The visionary Banks founded Resume Solutions, LLC, www.resumesolutionsllc.com, to help individuals create and enhance their resume and job searching skills through career workshops.

Registration required at 248.524.3542 or www.troylibrary.info.

For information call Kay McFarland
at 248.680.7290.

Children's Programs @ TPL

Register online: www.troylibrary.info or call 248.524.3541 during Library hours

Spring 2010

YOUTH STORY TIME REGISTRATION

Children will enjoy stories, fingerplays and flannel board activities presented by Youth Services Librarians.

SPRING I

Registration for Spring I Story Time groups begins Monday, February 22 at 10 am. Register online, by phone (248.524.3541) or in person at the Youth Desk. Six-week sessions will run from March 1 through April 8.

SPRING II

Registration for Spring II Story Time groups begins Monday, April 12 at 10 am. Register online, by phone (248.524.3541) or in person at the Youth Desk. Six-week sessions will run from April 19 through May 27.

TROY RESIDENTS will have first preference for registration.

STORY TIMES

LAPSIT

Ages 12-23 months with a parent or caregiver

Monday 10:15 & 11:15 am
Wednesday 7 pm

TODDLER

Ages 24-39 months with a parent or caregiver

Tuesday 7 pm
Wednesday 10:15 & 11:15 am
Thursday 10:15 & 11:15 am

PRESCHOOL

Independent listeners ages 3-5

Monday 1:30 & 7 pm
Tuesday 10:15 & 11:15 am
Tuesday 1:30 pm

Dr. Seuss Story Time: Tuesday, March 2 @ 1:30 pm

We celebrate the 106th anniversary of Theodor Geisel's birth with his crazy stories, a game and a craft. Make time for duckfeet! Register Feb 19. Ages 3+

Family Reading Time: Thursday, March 4 @ 7 pm

Reading is essential for success in school. Bring the family and we will read a book together. The family will keep the book to continue the fun at home. Registration begins Feb 19. Limited space. All ages

Dress-Up Story Time: Sat., March 6 @ 2 pm

Spring is a time of new beginnings. Enjoy spring stories, and then pretend to be someone new with our costumes. Registration begins Feb 19. Ages 3+

Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday, March 11 @ 4 pm

Read to Andy the Therapy dog, who promises to listen as you tell him a story. Jane Alkon, author of the book *My Boy*, will make him available to children who are able to read. Registration begins Feb. 26. Ages 5+

Light Bulb Lab: Friday, March 12 @ 10:45 am or 11:45 am

Join our Light Bulb Lab! The lab meets once a month to conduct amazing fun science experiments. Registration begins Feb 26. Limited space. Ages 3-5

Library Babies: Sat., March 13 @ 11:30 am

Your 6 to 12 month old baby and you will have a blast with lively activities, finger plays and singing stories. Registration begins Feb. 26.

Art Workshop: Saturday, March 13 @ 2 pm

A silly potato head leprechaun made from a paper bag and construction paper will keep us busy. He'll help us celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Registration begins Feb. 26. Ages 3+

Evening Family Story Time: Thursday, March 18 @ 7 pm

Leprechaun magic and Irish tales will entertain us this evening, followed by cookies and milk. No registration required. All ages welcome.



Red Robins!: Saturday, March 20 @ 2 pm

Come celebrate the first day of spring with stories about robins. Then, create your own robin door hanger to take home with you. Registration begins March 5. Ages 3+

Chess: Sunday, March 21 @ 2-5 pm

Experience friendly competition as Tom Manion leads students in a chess session. Registration begins March 12. Seating is limited. Ages 7 - 14.

Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday, March 25 @ 4 pm

Read to Andy the Therapy dog, who promises to listen as you tell him a story. Jane Alkon, author of the book *My Boy*, will make him available to children who are able to read. Registration begins March 12. Ages 5+

Playtime at the Library: Friday, March 26, 10:15 am - Noon

Come and chat with other parents while the children make a craft and play. No registration required. All ages

Technology Club: Friday, March 26 @ 4:15 pm

Share educational fun on the Internet. Registration begins March 12. Limited space. Ages 9+

Respect the Flags: Saturday, March 27 @ 2 pm

Allyson Dunn from Consumers Energy will present a safety program to create "Safety Heroes." Learn the importance of the colored flags used to mark utility, cable and other underground lines. Registration begins March 12. Ages 8+

Family Reading Time: Thursday, April 1 @ 7 pm

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Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday, April 8 @ 4 pm

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Video Game Day: Saturday, April 10 @ 2 pm

Enjoy video games and tournaments for GameCube, Wii, PS2 and Xbox 360. Pizza will be provided. Registration begins March 26. Ages 8-12

Playtime at the Library: Wednesday, April 14, 10:15 am - Noon

Come and chat with other parents while the children make a craft and play. No registration required. All ages

Evening Family Story Time: Thursday, April 15 @ 7 pm

Silly stories and fun songs make this story time rock! Stay for cookies and milk. No registration required. All ages welcome.

Light Bulb Lab: Friday, April 16 @ 10:45 or 11:45 am

Join our Light Bulb Lab! The lab meets once a month to conduct amazing fun science experiments. Registration begins April 1. Limited space. Ages 3-5

Technology Club: Friday, April 16 @ 4:15 pm

Share educational fun on the Internet. Registration begins on April 1. Limited space. Ages 9+

Art Workshop: Saturday, April 17 @ 2 pm

Can you craft a smiling sunflower with our material? Use seeds, paper and pipe cleaners to create unique flowers. Registration begins April 1. Ages 3+



Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday, April 22 @ 4 pm

Read to Andy the Therapy dog, who promises to listen as you tell him a story. Jane Alkon, author of the book, *My Boy*, will make him available to children who are able to read. Registration begins April 9. Ages 5+

Library Babies: Saturday, April 24 @ 11:30 am

Your 6 to 12 month old baby and you will have a blast with lively activities, finger plays and singing stories. Registration will begin April 9.

Grossology: Saturday, April 24 @ 2 pm

Ever wonder how to make slime, snot on a stick or wounds that are realistic? Show up and be amazed at the gross things in nature and in you! Registration begins April 9. Ages 8+

Children's Book Week Contest: May 1

Design a winning bookmark that reflects the joy of reading and win a prize. The winning bookmarks will be printed and made available for the public after the contest. Forms available May 1. Entries must be returned by May 6, and the winners announced on May 10. Three age groups; 3-6, 7-10, and 11-13.

Make a Present for Mom: Sat., May 1 @ 2 pm

Mother's Day is almost here! Make Mom feel special by making her a one-of-a-kind gift. Registration begins April 16. Ages 7-12

Family Reading Time: Thursday, May 6 @ 7 pm

Reading is essential for success in school. Bring the family and we will read a book together. The family will keep the book to continue the fun at home. Registration begins April 23. Limited space. All ages

Light Bulb Lab: Friday, May 7 @ 10:45 or 11:45 am

Join our Light Bulb Lab! The lab meets once a month to conduct amazing fun science experiments. Registration begins April 23. Limited space. Ages 3-5

Technology Club: Friday, May 7 @ 4:15 pm

Share educational fun on the Internet. Registration begins April 23. Limited space. Ages 9+

International Mother and Daughter Tea: Saturday, May 8 @ 2 pm

Celebrate Mother's day with us early as we have an elegant tea party to rejoice in our Mother's love! Registration begins April 23. Ages 5+

Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday May 13 @ 4 pm

Read to Andy the Therapy dog, who promises to listen as you tell him a story. Jane Alkon, author of the book, *My Boy*, will make him available to children who are able to read. Registration begins April 30. Ages 5+

Evening Family Story Time: Thursday, May 13 @ 7 pm

The Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee begin in California today, so let's celebrate frogs! Stay for cookies and milk. No registration required. All ages welcome.

Playtime at the Library: Friday, May 14 @ 10:15 am - Noon

Come and chat with other parents while the children make a craft and play. No registration required. All ages

Library Babies: Saturday, May 15 @ 11:30 am

Your 6 to 12 month old baby and you will have a blast with lively activities, finger plays and singing stories. Registration begins April 30.

Art Workshop: Saturday, May 15 @ 2 pm

Painting with brushes and rags will excite your imagination. Registration begins April 30. Ages 3+

Chess: Sunday, May 16 @ 2-5 pm

Experience friendly competition as Tom Manion leads students in a chess session. Registration begins May 7. Seating is limited. Ages 7 - 14.

Saturday Movie Matinee: Saturday, May 22 @ 2pm

While away an hour with us as we watch a comedy and snack on cookies. No registration required. All ages

Read to Andy, the Therapy Dog: Thursday, May 27 @ 4 pm

Read to Andy the Therapy dog, who promises to listen as you tell him a story. Jane Alkon, author of the book, *My Boy*, will make him available to children who are able to read. Registration begins May 14. Ages 5+

TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY SPRING CALENDAR

Our programs are free to all, thanks to the:



Programs in COLOR are family oriented for children, teens, and parents.

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248.524.3542

Cultural Events:
Music
248.524.3568
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248.524.3543

Teen Programs:
248.619.7652

Youth Programs:
248.524.3541

March

- 1, 8 Your Chakras: The Wheels of Life
- 1,8 Beg. Word 2007
- 2 Far Away Places- Egypt
- 2,9 Computer Basics 1
- 3 Booked for Lunch
- 3 Life Readers
- 3, 10 Beg. PowerPoint 2007
- 4 **Teen Advisory Board**
- 4,11 Navigating the Internet
- 2 **Dr. Suess Story Time**
- 4 **Family Reading Time**
- 6 **Dress-Up Story Time**
- 6 **Teen Video Game Day**
- 6,13,20,27 Talk Time
- 7 Fine Arts: Flemish Painting
- 9 Dan Ewald Group
- 9 Mystery
- 11, 25 **Read to the Therapy Dog**
- 12 **Light Bulb Lab**
- 13 **Library Babies**
- 13 **Eco- Jewelry**
- 13 **Art Workshop**
- 14 Fine Arts: Maureen Esther
- 15, 22 Beg. Excel 2007
- 16 Far Away Places- Viet Nam
- 16 A World of Resources on the Web
- 17 Non-Fiction Readers
- 18 **Anime Club**
- 18 **Evening Family Story Time**
- 20 Red Robins
- 21 **Chess**
- 21 **Cello Quartet**
- 22, 29 E-mail for Beginners
- 23 Computer Basics 2
- 23, 30 Intermediate Word 2007
- 23 TPL Genealogy
- 24, 31 Intermediate Excel 2007
- 25 Techniques to Improve your Job Search
- 25 Web 2.0 - Twitter
- 26 **Playtime at the Library**
- 26 **Technology Club**
- 27 Respect the Flags

April

- 1 **Teen Advisory Board**
- 1, 8 Techniques to Improve your Job Search
- 1,8 Computer Basics 1
- 1 **Family Reading Time**
- 5 **Spring Break Super Smash Bros. Brawl Tournaments**
- 5,12 Navigating the Internet
- 6 A World of Resources on the Web
- 6 Far Away Places- Antigua
- 6, 13 Beg. Word 2007
- 7 Booked for Lunch
- 7 Life Readers
- 7 Web 2.0 - Facebook
- 7, 14 Beg. Excel 2007
- 8, 22 **Read to Andy, The Therapy Dog**
- 9, 16 E-mail for Beginners
- 10,17,24 Talk Time
- 10 **Video Game Day**
- 13 Dan Ewald Group
- 13 Mystery
- 14 **Playtime at the Library**
- 14 The Gods of Canaan: A Novel by Betty Coven
- 15 **Anime Club**
- 15 Computer Basics 2
- 15 **Evening Family Story Time**
- 16 **Light Bulb Lab**
- 16, 23, 30 Relaxation & Meditation Workshop
- 16 **Technology Club**
- 17 **Art Workshop**
- 17 Writing Grant Proposals for Non-Profit Organizations
- 18 Fine Arts: Flemish Renaissance
- 19, 26 Beg. PowerPoint 2007
- 20 Far Away Places- France
- 20, 27 Intermediate Word 2007
- 21, 28 Intermediate Excel 2007
- 24 **Library Babies**
- 24 Grossology
- 27 TPL Genealogy
- 28 Downsized by Jill Wilkinson
- 29 Wedding Essentials: Planning for your Big Day

May

- 1,8,15,22 Talk Time
- 1 **Children's Book Week Contest**
- 1 **Make a Present for Mom**
- 3, 10 Computer Basics 1
- 3, 10 Beg. PowerPoint 2007
- 4,11 Navigating the Internet
- 4, 11 Beg. Word 2007
- 5 Booked for Lunch
- 5 Life Readers
- 5, 12 E-mail for Beginners
- 5, 12 Beg. Excel 2007
- 6 **Teen Video Game Day**
- 6 **Teen Advisory Board**
- 6 **Family Reading Time**
- 7 **Light Bulb Lab**
- 7 **Technology Club**
- 8 **International Mother and Daughter Tea**
- 11 Dan Ewald Group
- 13 Mystery
- 13 Stay Safe with Personal Safety Skills
- 13, 27 **Read to Andy, The Therapy Dog**
- 13 **Evening Family Story Time**
- 14 A World of Resources on the Web
- 14 **Playtime at the Library**
- 15 **Library Babies**
- 15 **Art Workshop**
- 16 **Chess**
- 16 Shared Inheritances -- Asian Indians Part 1
- 17 Digital Images
- 18, 25 Intermediate Word 2007
- 19 Non-Fiction Readers
- 19, 26 Intermediate Excel 2007
- 20 **Anime Club**
- 22 **Movie Matinee**
- 23 Shared Inheritances -- Asian Indians Part 2
- 24 Computer Basics 2
- 25 TPL Genealogy
- 24 Intermediate PowerPoint 2007
- 26 Web 2.0 - Internet

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Easter Weekend
April 2, 3, 4
Memorial Weekend
May 29, 30 & 31

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