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CPL Introduces Newsletter and Registration Changes

This issue of *Connections* features a new look and format. These changes will reduce our costs and we have also taken this opportunity to reorganize content in keeping with direction from our strategic plan. We hope that the new format makes it easier for you to follow the news and activities from the library.

We've also made program registration more consistent. Now, all programs require either no registration or registration online beginning two weeks in advance of program date (for details, see page 8). As we frequently add programs after we go to press, we encourage you to visit our website, www.cantonpl.org, for the very latest updates. You can find a monthly calendar of activities by clicking on the Program Calendar link in the left column.

We welcome your comments and feedback online at www.cantonpl.org/contact, by phone at 734-397-0999 or by filling out a comment card available at the Reception Desk.



Another Star Year

The Canton Public Library has again been given a three star rating in the Library Journal Index of Public Library Service. We are one of only two Michigan libraries to receive a rating. The index is compiled with 2007 data examining four factors impacting public service: per capita circulation, visits, program attendance and public Internet use. This is the second straight year the library has received a star rating from Library Journal.

This award comes as the Canton Public Library experiences the busiest year in its history. In 2009, the library checked out 2 million items, an increase of 13% from last year, issued approximately 9,000 library cards and averaged about 2,000 visitors daily.

New Service Lets You Learn a Language Online

The library is proud to introduce Mango Languages, the easiest way to learn to speak a new language. It's fast and fun with real-life situations to make learning more pertinent. Learn Spanish, French, Italian, Russian, Portuguese (Brazilian), Japanese, German, Greek, Chinese (Mandarin), ESL Spanish, ESL Brazilian Portuguese, ESL Polish and more. Watch for new languages to be rolled out throughout the year. You can access Mango at <http://www.cantonpl.org/resource#languages>. First time users will be asked to create a username and password for the system to keep track of your progress.



Everyone's Reading 2010

Presumed Innocent by Scott Turow is the 2010 Everyone's Reading selection. This novel defined the legal thriller genre and has an infamous surprise ending that most of us don't see coming. We are pleased to announce that author Scott Turow will make a special appearance at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill on April 14. Watch the Canton Public Library website, www.cantonpl.org, for ticket information.

In its ninth year, Everyone's Reading promotes community dialogue through the shared experience of reading the same book. Pick up a copy of *Presumed Innocent* at the Canton Public Library and join in the discussion.

Adult Books & Reading Programs

Lunch and a Book

This group meets in the Community Room.

Remains of the Day

by Kazuo Ishiguro
January 14, noon-1 p.m.
An English butler reflects – sometimes bitterly, sometimes humorously – on his service to a lord between the two world wars and discovers doubts about his master's character and about the ultimate value of his own service to humanity.

Olive Kitteridge

by Elizabeth Strout
February 11, noon-1 p.m.
Olive Kitteridge, a retired schoolteacher, deplores the changes in her little town and in the world at large, but she doesn't always recognize the changes in those around her.

Adult Contemporary Book Discussion

This group meets in the Conference Room.

Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress

by Sijie Dai
January 18, 7 p.m.
Two teens from Mao's China are banished to the country for re-education where they discover a cache of forbidden Western literature that changes their world.

Uncle Tom's Cabin

by Harriet Beecher Stowe
February 15, 7 p.m.
This anti-slavery classic examines the character of a man and the trials of faith he endures.

Busy Moms Book Club®

Moms (and dads) gather for coffee, friendship and discussion while the little ones play nearby. This group meets in the Purple Room.

Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat that Touched the World

by Vicki Myron
January 21, 11 a.m.-noon
Discovered as a kitten in the drop box of a public library, Dewey helps librarian Myron endure heartache, pulls the town together, attracts visitors from hundreds of miles away, and appears in a Japanese documentary.

Foul Play

by Janet Evanovich
February 18, 11 a.m.-noon
When Amy Klasse loses her TV job to a dancing chicken, handsome veterinarian Jake Elliott rescues her with an offer to be his receptionist. When the job-stealing chicken disappears, Amy is suspected of foul play and Jake tries to prove her innocence.

Canton Seniors Book Discussion Group

Book discussions take place at the Canton Senior Center at the Summit facilitated by Canton Public Library librarians.

A Lesson Before Dying

by Ernest Gaines
January 27, 2 p.m.

Presumed Innocent

by Scott Turow
February 24, 2 p.m.

Programs for Adults

21st Century Couponing®

January 9, 9:30-11 a.m.

Use the Internet, Twitter, Facebook and your cell phone to save money with electronic coupons from online sources.

Learn About Yoga with Sharon Brand®

January 14, 7-8 p.m.

Brand, a Canton resident, has nine years experience teaching a flowing style of Hatha yoga. Wear comfortable clothing, bring a mat or beach towel and water bottle.

Canton Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

African American History Through Artists Eyes

January 18, 6-8 p.m. at the

Cherry Hill Village Theater Robert Jones and Matt Watroba guide you and your family through the Underground Railroad, sketches of blues musicians, a sing-along and African drumming and dance with Kevin Collins. Free to the public through the generosity of The Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, Inc. and Canton Township.

Reflexology with Deanna Proske®

January 20, 7-8 p.m.

Learn the art of reflexology, the scientific study of corresponding areas in the hand or foot to organs in the body to reduce stress, encourage good health and relaxation.

Author & Radio Host Terry Foster

January 28, 7-8:30 p.m.

Terry Foster, host on 97.1 Sports Radio, and author of *100 Things Tiger Fans Should Know or Do Before They Die*, is our special guest for a night of Detroit sports talk.

Get Connected!®

February 5, 10-11:30 a.m.

Learn the basics of Facebook, Twitter, and other social networking tools. Prerequisite: Existing email account, computer proficiency.

Euchre Tournament®

February 20, 2-5 p.m.

Do you rule the euchre table? Join us for a day of euchre showmanship and socializing in a double bracket tournament. Prizes awarded to the winners.

Lincoln in the Courtroom:

Judge Ron Lowe, 35th District Court®

February 22, 7-8:30 p.m.

35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe will share his characterization of Abraham Lincoln as a courtroom lawyer. He will then discuss the modern changes to the courtroom proceedings.

All About Pianos®

February 24, 7 p.m.

Everything you want to know about pianos: their history, how they are made, and more, from Joe Davidson of Evola Music in Canton.

Celebrate Chinese New Year

February 25, 7-8 p.m.

Welcome the Chinese New Year with an evening of music performed by students from Evola Music.

Ongoing Programs

Knit Nights

January 11 and February 8, 7-8:30 p.m.

Drop in and join other handcrafters for an evening of sharing and learning. All ages and stages are welcome.

ELL (English Language Learner) Conversation Group®

January 15 and 29, February 12 and 26, 10-11 a.m. Practice speaking English in an informal group setting at the Canton Public Library. Registration required.

Senior Wii Bowling®

January 5 and 19, February 2 and 16, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Stay active and have fun this winter with our Wii bowling league for seniors.

Morning Chess for Seniors

January 13 and 27, February 10 and 24, 10 a.m.-noon
Join our informal group in the Purple Room for chess and conversation.

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Many of our programs are presented thanks to the contributions of The Friends of the Canton Public Library.

See page 8 for changes to our program registration policy.



Registration for Computer Skills Classes

Programs marked with ® indicate registration, which begins at 9 a.m. two weeks in advance of program date.

Adults must register with their own valid Canton Public Library card by logging on to <http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month>.

A fee of \$5 will be automatically added to your library account for no shows, or failure to cancel 24 hours prior to class time.

Computer Skills

Basic Computer Maintenance®

January 7, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Acquire basic maintenance skills to keep your computer in good working order. Lecture and some Internet use. Prerequisite: Computer proficiency

Excel I®

January 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. or

February 6, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Want to create a spreadsheet, a family budget or manage a list? Learn how with Excel. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

Excel II®

January 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m. or

February 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to use data, graphics and charts, and how to customize toolbars. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent

Excel Tips & Tricks®

January 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Learn the latest tips and tricks in MS 2007 version to improve your productivity. Prerequisite: Excel I or equivalent

Internet Basics®

January 22 or February 26,

10-11:30 a.m.

Learn the basics of Internet Explorer 7; how to search the Web, the library catalog and online databases. Prerequisite: Mouse skills or equivalent

MS Word I®

January 16 or February 2,

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Get introduced to word processing terminology. Learn to create text, format, print, and save. Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

MS Word II®

January 23 or February 9,

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Enhance a document by learning to add tables, headers and footers as well as symbols. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

MS Word III®

January 30 or February 16,

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to create text boxes, multiple columns, column breaks, and manipulate paragraphs to make a newsletter. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

MS Word Exploded®

February 23, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

This fast-paced class offers many time-saving features such as format styles, drop caps, shortcuts, auto text, auto correct, breaks, borders/shading, and more. Prerequisite: MS Word I or equivalent

Mouse Skills

January 29, 10-11 a.m.

(No Registration Required)

Discover how easy it is to learn basic mouse skills by following the online tutorial under a librarian's guidance. This class is for beginners only.

PowerPoint I®

January 12 or February 20,

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn to create multimedia presentations. Prerequisite: Mouse and Word skills

PowerPoint II®

January 19 or February 27,

9:30-11:30 a.m.

Add motion, sound and other effects to your Power Point presentation. Prerequisite: PowerPoint I

Web Page Design with WordPress®

January 15, 10-11:30 a.m.

Develop a Web page using the free blogging site WordPress. Learn the basics of setting up your personal Web page and then let your imagination take over. Prerequisite: Existing email account, computer proficiency

Programs for Teens

Teen programs are offered to 7th through 12th graders.

Animanga Club

January 13 and February 17,

6:30-8:45 p.m.

Manga and anime fans can talk, watch, draw and enjoy japanophilia together. It's never predictable but it sure is fun.

Euchre Tournament®

February 20, 2-5 p.m.

Do you think you've got what it takes join us for a day of euchre showmanship and socializing in an all out double bracket tournament? Prizes awarded for the winners.

Sleeve Facing Photos®

February 23, 6-7 p.m.

Use old vinyl record sleeves in a new and inventive way and create a one of a kind photo of yourself.

Teen Advisory Board

January 28 and February 25,

6:30-7:30 p.m.

If you are interested in helping your library and making a difference in your community and earning community service hours, then TAB is for you!

Homework Help is Here

CPL is teaming up with the Plymouth District Library and National Honor Society tutors to help 3rd through 12th graders with homework. If you are interested in getting tutored you must be in 3rd through 12th grade, if you are under 12, your parent must remain in the library, and you must bring the assignment, textbooks, calculators, and any other materials you need.

Days and Times:

Monday, 6-8 p.m.

@ the Plymouth District Library in the Teen Zone

Tuesday, 6-8 p.m.

@ the Canton Public Library by the Teen Reference Desk

Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.

@ the Plymouth District Library in the Teen Zone

Thursday, 6-8 p.m.

@ the Canton Public Library by the Teen Reference Desk

Programs for Tweens

Tween programs are offered to 5th and 6th graders.

Bolly Dancing @ Your Library®

January 2, 4-4:45 p.m.

Learn to dance like a Bollywood movie star. Come join Anuja Rajendra of BollyFit to learn some basic steps you can combine with popular Indian tunes to create an exciting, lively dance. No dance experience necessary!

Rubber Band Bracelets®

January 12, 7-8 p.m.

Make an awesome bracelet with rubber bands and beads.

Mardi Gras Cupcake Mania®

February 16, 7:00-7:30 p.m.

Celebrate Mardi Gras with a tasty treat!

Tween Book Discussion®

January 23, 2-3 p.m. and

February 13, 1-2 p.m.

Register online, and then check out the book at the Children's Desk.

Tween Advisory Board

January 28 and February 25,

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Tweens, help your library and make a difference in your community while earning community service hours. Come to Tween Advisory Board.

Graphing Calculator Now Available

Stuck on your math homework? We have a graphing calculator now available for use at the library. It's at the Reference Desk; just leave ID to borrow it.



Family Reading Night Programs®

Funded by the Target Store Early Childhood Reading Grant and Friends of the Canton Public Library. Programs include stories, games and snacks and are open to families with children ages 4-9. Each family receives a free book to take home.

Space Jam®

January 21, 7-8 p.m.
Out-of-this world crafts and stories, all about space.

Batter Up!®

February 18, 7-8 p.m.
Hey, batter batter, SWING!
Come celebrate baseball with stories, crafts and snacks.

Storytime Programs

Storytimes are half-hour programs of activities, songs and stories. Caregivers are required to remain with children under four years of age and remain in the Children's Library for other programs. For families planning to bring children of multiple ages, please sign up for Family Storytime. This session of storytime begins the week of January 11 and ends February 13. Storytime sessions marked with an * are held in the Community Room.

Babies 4 Months to Not Yet Walking

Fridays, 10-10:30 a.m.

Walking to Not Yet 2 Years Old

Mondays, 7-7:30 p.m. or
Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m.*

Children 2 Years to Not Yet 4

Mondays, 10-10:30 a.m.*,
Tuesdays, 10-10:30 a.m. or
7-7:30 p.m.*

Children 4-5 Year Olds

Wednesdays, 7-7:30 p.m.,
Thursdays, 1-1:30 p.m. or
Fridays, 1-1:30 p.m.

Family Storytime

Mondays, 1-1:30 p.m.,
Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m.*

Drop in Storytime

Saturdays, 11-11:30 a.m.*

Book Discussions for Kids

For book discussion titles visit the online program calendar at <http://catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month>. Register online, and then check out the book at the Children's Desk.

1ST GRADE:

January 23, 4-4:45 p.m.
February 23, 5-5:45 p.m.

2ND GRADE:

January 6, 5-5:45 p.m.
February 15, 5-5:45 p.m.

3RD GRADE:

January 9, 2-2:45 p.m.
February 6, 2-2:45 p.m.

4TH GRADE:

January 26, 5-5:45 p.m.
February 27, 2-2:45 p.m.



Program Registration

Detailed program registration information can be found on page 8.

Programs for Children

Grandparent Fun @ the Canton Public Library®

January 4 and February 22,
10-10:45 a.m.

A fun play and activity time for grandparents and their grandchildren.

ABC Activity Time

Drop in play for children, birth through 5 years old with a caregiver, sessions begin January 11 and end February 13.

Monday, 10:30-11 a.m., 1:30-2 p.m.,
7:30-8 p.m.

Tuesday, 10:30-11 a.m., 7:30-8 p.m.

Wednesday, 10:30-11 a.m.,
7:30-8 p.m.

Thursday, 10:30-11 a.m., 1:30-2 p.m.

Friday, 10:30-11 a.m., 1:30-2 p.m.

Saturday, 11:30 a.m.-noon

Soupy Storytime®

January 7, 6-6:45 p.m.

Children, kindergarten through 2nd grade, come celebrate National Soup Month with us as we read soupy stories, make a craft and enjoy a tasty soup snack.

Celebrate and Commemorate with Byron Reed®

January 16, 2-3 p.m.

To commemorate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. children in 1st through 4th grade are invited to participate in art projects with Canton artist Byron Reed to be displayed at the Village Theatre on January 18.

All Ages Video Gaming

January 24 and February 18, 1-3 p.m.
Unleash your inner rock star or Wii athlete or enjoy some MarioKart racing during our all ages open video gaming day.

Origami Fun®

January 25, 5-6 p.m.

Children in 3rd through 6th grade are invited to make origami animals. Paper and some instruction will be provided.

Canton Public Library Winter Olympics®

February 4, 7-7:45 p.m.

Children in kindergarten through 2nd grade, get ready for Vancouver 2010 by joining our Olympiad. We'll have an opening ceremony and many events. Every athlete takes home a medal.

Create-a-Craft

February 17, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Children, ages 5-8 with a caregiver, are invited to make a craft to take home.

Fun with Tacky the Penguin®

February 20, 1-1:45 p.m.

Enjoy hearing about Tacky's crazy adventures, create a fun craft and have a great fishy snack. For children ages 3-5.

Motawi Tile

Family Program®

February 28, 1 p.m.

Karim Motawi from the Motawi Tileworks in Ann Arbor gives a presentation on tile making, after which caregiver and child, 6th grade and older, can craft a tile.

Community Green Team Needs You

CPL is looking for 20 energetic and dedicated families who are ready to improve the environment through local action on the Canton Community Green Team. This team will help plan upcoming art and environmental projects with Project S.N.A.P. and the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. Families will be trained on environmental leadership and will help to plan a community clean-up project. If you are interested, please contact the Children's Information Desk.

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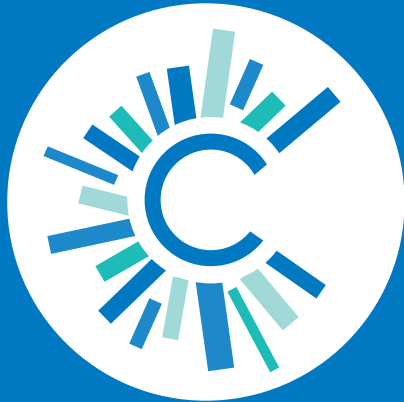


On Display @ the Library

It's a new year and we're happy to invite you to participate in the Children's Library in a whole new way. You can now volunteer to create the displays, including the bulletin boards and display case. We have some ready-made materials you can use, or you can propose your own idea. If you or your group would like to volunteer, please contact Ruth Millard at x1264

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9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday
12 noon to 6 p.m.

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January 1 New Years Day

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Program Registration Changes

The Canton Public Library has moved to a standardized program registration process for every program offered at the library. Now all programs will fall into one of two classifications: registration or no registration. A program marked with ® after the title means that you must register to attend. Registration is online for all programs, which means you must have a library card in our system to sign up. If you are registering a child for a program, use the child's library card. All programs will begin registration at 9 a.m., two weeks prior to the program start date.

A "no-registration" program is simply that – you don't need to register; just drop in and attend. All programs are listed in our online program calendar, catalog.cantonpl.org/iii/calendar/month. Click on the program title for more information, including a link to the registration form for programs that require registration.

New Self Checkout Machines

Due to changes in technology, in winter 2010 we are migrating to a new system. The benefit to this is that we are able to update our self checkout machines with enhanced features that allow you to check materials out, view the status of your holds and pay fees with a credit card. The new system also allows us to remove the locks from the locking CD and DVD cases, making for faster and easier check outs. In addition to replacing the four current self checkouts, we will be adding three others in various locations. If you would like instruction in using a self checkout machine, please ask any staff person.

Friends of the Library News

Secondhand Prose, the Friends of the Library's used bookstore, will be holding a monthly bag sale. You can fill one of their bags for just \$5, excluding children's and AV materials. Bag sale dates are January 22, 23 and 25 and February 19, 20, and 22. Also, check the bookstore for monthly specials.